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FAMILY I

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GORG (GEORG, GEORGE) OWEN[1], impliedly a Welchman and by family records a resident of Bristol, England and later of Cork, Ireland, came to the eastern part of Long Island before 1679. He was the first person of the Owen name at Brookhaven, Suffolk Co., Long Island where he was granted land in October 1679 and, in 1684/85, was given another grant of 20 acres. On 3 April 1684 "Oven Evens" who probably was Even Owens was granted 20 acres "on west side of the hyway over against his lot." (Book B, pp. 3, 4 and 129, Brookhaven published records.) These grants to Gorg (George) Owen read with the request of Jonathan Owen to the Trustees of Brookhaven on 10 March 1701 for land "on the southern side of the 20 aker lot given to his (Jonathan's) father Owen by the town over against his brother George Owens house" strongly suggests that "Gorg Owen", the only person by the name of Owen (excepts the grant to Oven Evens above mentioned) to receive land from the town prior to 1701 and probably not then living, was the father of Jonathan and George Owen. (Book C, Brookhaven published records, p. 35.)*

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Note

Of course it is possible that Even Owen was the settler and the father of George, Jonathan, Moses, and John; or that Gorg and Even were brothers, Gorg probably the father of Jonathan, George and John and Even the father of Moses the latter of whom named two of his children Even and George. Logic, however, does not well suit either of these arrangements and the early land grant to Gorg, his appearance alone at Southampton, the implied age of Gorg as compared with the others and the family record, all suggest that Gorg was the settler and the others his sons.

George Owen was on the tax list of Southampton for the year 1683 but does not appear on the census list of that town in 1686. (Hist. of Southampton, L. I. by George R. Howell, 1887.) He probably removed to Brookhaven about 1683 when Even Owen, probably the Edwin Owen of the family records quoted below and another son of Gorg purchased, on 1 December 1683, a house and lot there from Robert Goulsbery. (Book B, pp. 175-177 Brookhaven published records.) George, Moses and Jonathan also purchased homes in Brookhaven between 1686 and 1690 and a John Owen shows up in the Suffolk Co. records in 1692. None of these supposed sons appear in the Southampton records and it is probable that they removed to Brookhaven with their parents about the time that the older ones were reaching their majorities. A fact that implies close relationship is that all of these sons except George are shown, by the records, to have been joiners or carpenters.

The wife of Gorge Owen, Sr. is not known and no birth, death or marriage records of himself and children have been found. The Brookhaven records does not mention a George Owen, Jr. earlier than 1719, or 40 years after George Owen was granted land in Brookhaven. This fact indicates that if Gorg (George) was the settler then he must have died or removed before his son George came into the records. A will of "Charles Owen of the Parish of Oushen in Pembroke County, South Wales, mariner," written 23 October 1702, proved in New York, 26 November 1702 which left to his "friend Susannah Barnes" 80 pounds which had been "bequeathed to me as my portion in the will of my father, George Owen, Doctor of Divinity and now in the hands of my mother, Mary Owen, in the Parish of Oushen" suggested the possibility that this George Owen D. D. was the Brookhaven settler. (Abstracts of New York Wills, Vol. I, p. 351.) A copy of the will of George Owen, D. D. with codicil was obtained from the clerk of Pembroke County, Wales and supplied proof

that he could not have been the projenitor of the Brookhaven Owen family. It was dated July 1, 1690 and mentioned his wife, Mary, and eldest son, George Owen, also "my five younger children, William Owen, John Owen, Charles Owen, Mary Owen and Elizabeth Owen." The latter five children were under 21 years of age. The estate was inventoried November 5, 1690.

An Owen family record was graciously supplied to this writer by Mrs. Isabel J. Emerick of Oswego, New York. It named the Owen settlers in Brookhaven as Edwin, who could have been Even, John, Moses and Jonathan but omitted George. It was handed down by her mother who was a granddaughter of John Owen^{6} (1784-1843) of Somers, Westchester Co., N. Y. (Joseph^{5}, Joseph^{4}, Joseph^{3}, Jonathan^{2}, George^{1}). The record states that Jonathan Owen's father, the settler in Brookhaven, L. I., not named, was probably born in Bristol, England where sons Edwin (sic) and John were born. It says that the family then removed to Cork, Ireland where sons, Jonathan and Moses were born and later moved to America and settled near the east end of Long Island. The record, as supplied by Mrs. Emerick, then continues as follows: "Jonathan Owen born 1671 in city of Cork, Ireland, died, aged about 84, (gravestone at Bedford, N. Y., says he died 1750, aged 79), buried in Bedford, New York, married Mary Brewster, born 1671; d. 1750 (her gravestone gives no dates), buried in Bedford. She was a daughter of Rev. Nathaniel Brewster and Sarah Ludlow the latter a daughter of Deputy Gov. Roger Ludlow who lived in Setauket and Southold, Long Island. They, (meaning Jonathan and Mary Owen), had five sons and two daughters. Joseph Owen, son of Jonathan, born 22 June 1706, died 11 Oct. 1759 (gravestone agrees) buried in Bedford, married, 2 Nov. 1729, Hannah Holmes, (her gravestone says Hannah Helme) born 8 Dec. 1703, died 31 Dec. 1785, buried in Bedford. (Her gravestone says d. 31 Dec. 1789,

aged 82 years.) Their children were Ruth, Hannah, Piminah, who m. Caleb Sands, Joseph Jr. who m. Millicent Horton, Sarah, Mary, Martha and Thomas. Joseph Owen, Jr., son of Joseph, was born 5 Sept. 1735; died 11 May 1813, buried in Bedford (his gravestone agrees); married 5 Apr. 1761, Millicent Horton, born 17 May 1742; died May 26, 1816, buried in Bedford (her gravestone agrees)." The record then continues with the descendants of Joseph, Jr. and Millicent (Horton) Owen as given later herein.

The children of Gorg (Georg, George) Owen[1] supposedly were:

(1) Even Owen[2], (Gorg[1]) was probably the Edwin Owen of the Owen family records given above. He was called a joiner in the first record found of him, a deed dated in Suffolk Co., L. I., 1 Dec. 1683, when he purchased a house and lot in Brookhaven from Robert Goulsbery. John Tooker and John Coombs were witnesses. (Book B, pp. 175-177 Brookhaven published records.) He was also probably the Oven Evens who was granted 20 acres of land by the town of Brookhaven, 3 April 1684, (Ibid., p. 189). His death occurred soon after he received this grant. His estate was inventoried, 25 Aug., 1684, and administration granted to his widow and relict, Martha, and George Owen. The appraisers of his estate were Samuel Ackerly and John Thomas. (Sessions Book, 1669-1684, Suffolk Co., #1, pp. 163, 164, also N. Y. Gen. & Hist. Reg., Vol. XII, p. 133.) He probably left no children.

(2) Georg (George) Owen, Jr.[2], (Gorg[1]). That there was an early George Owen, Jr. in Brookhaven is indicated by Book C, p. 35 of Brookhaven published records which show that on 10 March 1701 Jonathan Owen asked the Trustees for land "on the southerd side of the 20 aker lot given to his father Owen by the town over against his brother George Owens house", and by Book B, pp. 4 and 5 ibid which records a grant of land by the town to Gorg Owen 1 Oct. 1679 and another grant in 1684/85 described as "20 akers of land over against their house west side of the way." These being the only grants by the town of Brookhaven to any member of the Owen family prior to 1701, except one to Oven Evens 3 April 1684 suggests that George Owen, Sr. was the father of George Owen, Jr. and his brother Jonathan and that the father was not then living. George Owen, quite certainly George Owen Jr. although not so designated, his father even then quite likely being dead, bought property in Brookhaven, L. I. from Obed Seward, 8 Dec. 1688. (Book B, p. 281 Brookhaven published records.) It was land formerly owned by Zachariah Hawkins. Moses Owen was a witness to the deed. He also bought land, 1 Aug. 1690, from Joseph Davis, described as being bounded by the home lot of Samuel

Acrely on the west, by common land on the north, by land of Benjamin Smith on the south and by land of Mr. Bryan on the east. The deed was witnessed by Thomas Helm and Moses Owen. (Ibid, p. 290-291) George Owen together with Moses and Jonathan Owen were on the tax list of Brookhaven in 1704. George Owen was elected Trustee of Brookhaven in 1694 and Constable in 1701. George Owen ~~requested~~ registered his ear mark for cattle 11 April 1703. On 3 April 1713 fifty acres of land were laid out for George Owen on "west side of town southerly of Smithtown." In October 1719 George Owen, George Owen Jr., Jonathan and Aaron Owen were on the list of principal freeholders of Brookhaven. This is the first record found by this writer of a George Owen Jr. He quite certainly was a grandson of the settler Gorg Owen the latter of whom died or removed before his son George Jr. (who otherwise would have been called George Jr.) came into the records. On 14 Dec. 1719 George Owen and Aaron Owen with Timothy, Nathaniel and Daniel Brewster and others resigned their seats in the Meeting House as a preliminary to a new drawing. In 1721 Gorg Owen gave to his "brother Jonathan" 16 acres of land "lying between Jo Akerly's path and ye end of Green's lot." (Book C, p. 110 Brookhaven published records.) This gift may have been in anticipation of death which may have occurred about that time. His children are not identifiable by the records but could have been as follows:

(1) George Owen 3rd.[3], called George Owen Jr. in the Brookhaven records. The October 1719 list of principal freeholders of Brookhaven shows the names of George Owen, George Owen Jr., Jonathan Owen and Aaron Owen. George Owen Jr. registered his ear mark for cattle 18 Feb. 1724. George Owen (sic) and Aaron Owen by joint deed dated at Brookhaven 3 Dec. 1724 sold to Alexander Smith of Huntington, L. I., property in Brookhaven known as "Aaron Owen's House." (Book B, Brookhaven published records, pp. 417-418.) A George Owen (sic) was referred to as "Collector" 4 May 1725. This was the last time George Owen appears in the Brookhaven records until 4 May 1736 when a George Owen was elected a Trustee. This latter George probably was a cousin of George Owen 3rd. and a son of Jonathan. No further record of George Owen 3rd. found.

(2) Sarah Owen[3], called a daughter of George Owen in the "Hawkins Genealogy" by Ralph Clymer Hawkins, 1939. She was born, according to this genealogy, 20 Sept. 1690, d. 23 April 1768 and married, about 1711, Eleazer Hawkins, b., at Setauket, Brookhaven, L. I., 7 Aug. 1688. He was a son of Zachariah and Mary (Biggs) Hawkins. (See "Hawkins Genealogy" by Ralph Clymer Hawkins, 1939.) The family lived at Stony Brook, L. I.

Their children were:
(1) David Hawkins[4], b. 26 Sept. 1712.
(2) Alexander Hawkins[4], b. 11 Aug. 1713.

(3) Eleazer Hawkins[4].
(4) Isaac Hawkins[4].
(5) Samuel Hawkins[4].
(6) Benjamin Hawkins[4].
(7) Mary Hawkins[4].
(8) George Hawkins[4].
(9) Simeon Hawkins[4].
(10) Martha Hawkins[4], b. 28 Jan. 1735.

(3) Aaron Owen[3] first mentioned in the Brookhaven records as a private in the Militia of Brookhaven in 1715 in the company of Lieutenant Jonathan Owen who probably was his uncle although he could have been his father. He removed to Eastchester in Westchester Co., N. Y. where he purchased, 3rd. Aug. 1724, rights described as Long Reach (might mean Long Beach) from John Parker, bricklayer. (N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Reg. Vol. 60, p. 312.) On 3 Dec. 1724, describing himself as "Yeoman of Eastchester in the County of Westchester, New York," he and George Owen of Brookhaven sold property in Brookhaven, known as "Aaron Owen's House", to Alexander Smith of Huntington, L. I. The deed was witnessed by Nathaniel Tooker and Archael Thompson. (Book B, Brookhaven published records, pp. 417, 418.) One could believe that George and Aaron Owen of this deed were father and son although they could have been brothers or cousins. The last record found of Aaron Owen was in March 1726 when Aaron Owen of East Chester in the County of Westchester, N. Y. sold to Benjamin Hallock "on (one) sertain Righ of Commaedge Lying and being in the Bounds and Limits of Brookhaven which did formerly belong to Robert Guosbore." (Unrecorded deed in possession of Mrs. LeRoy King of East Hampton, L. I.) This probably refers to Robert Goulsbery who sold land to Even Owen 1 December 1683 and suggests that Aaron was a son of Even. No further records found of Aaron Owen.

(4) Timothy Owen[3], of Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y. where ~~her~~ his will was written 16 Feb. 1761 and proved 4 March 1761. (Abstract of N. Y. Wills, Vol. VI, p. 81). He was called a cordwainer in his will which mentioned his seven children but did not name his wife who probably was Ruth, dau. of John Mowbray. His will designated as executors "my friends Gershom and Nathaniel Owen of Ulster Co. and Ebenezer Owen of Pochaik." Gershom and Nathaniel Owen were sons of his probable cousin Jonathan[3], (John[2], George[1]) and Ebenezer was a son of his probable cousin Ebenezer[3], (Jonathan[2], George[1]).

Children of Timothy Owen, all mentioned in his will, were:

(1) Ruth Owen[4], called a married daughter in her father's will. She probably married about 1759 Thomas Gustin (John[2], John[1]),

b. at Glastonberry, Conn., 12 Jan. 1735 and had children (1) John, b. 8 June 1760; (2) Timothy, b. 2 June 1762; (3) Thomas Jr., b. 1763; (4) David; (5) Samuel, b. 1766; (6) Jesse, b. 25 Jan. 1768; (7) Mary, b. 27 Apr. 1773; (8) Benajah, b. 7 Feb. 1784.

(2) Eldest son[4], referred to in father's will as "crazy" but name not given. All of his brothers named in his father's will were competent men by the records and decidedly not crazy which leaves him, the unnamed one, as bearing that role.

(3) Timothy Owen Jr.[4] He signed the pledge of Associates in Orange Co., N. Y. in 1775 and was referred to as a Rev. War soldier in a Seneca Co., N. Y. deed, (book C, p. 205), dated 19 May 1807. He also witnessed the will of Richard Allison of Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y., 23 Oct. 1767 (Abstract of N. Y. Wills, Vol. VII, p. 170). The 1790 census of Warwicktown Orange Co., N. Y. shows Timothy Owen with a family of one male adult two males under 16 and three females. He removed to Seneca Co., N. Y.

(4) John Owen[4]. Letters of Administration of the estate of John Owen were granted to John Owen of Warwick 13 Dec. 1796. The 1790 census shows a John Owen of Goshen, Orange Co. N.Y. with a family of three males over 16, one male under 16 and five females. His children not identified.

(5) Israel Owen[4], b. say 1749; d. at Warwick, Orange Co., N. Y. between April 27, 1814 when his will was written and May 10, 1814 when it was proved. He married Jane Ferrier. His will did not mention a wife but did mention all six children shown hereafter. The History of Sussex and Warren Counties, New Jersey by J. P. Snell 1881, on page 360, gives a biography of William, son of Israel and Jane (Ferrier) Owen. Israel Owen served in the Orange Co. Militia Rev. War. Children (1) William Owen[5], b. 5 Oct. 1777; d. 20 Dec. 1829. He married and had a dau. Jane and son Robert the latter of whom married, 5 Feb. 1825, Rebecca Dunn and had a family of 11 children. Lived at Amity, N. Y.; (2) Thomas Owen[5]; (3) Sally Owen[5]; (4) Betsey Owen[5]; (5) Esther Owen[5]; (6) Margaret Owen[5].

(6) Anning Owen[4], b. 1751; d., at Ulysses, Seneca Co., N. Y., between 21 Mar. 1814 when his will was dated and 2 May 1814 when it was probated. The will stated that he was a Deacon and Elder in the Methodist Church. It mentioned wife, Mary, and brother, Mowbray, and daughters, Christina Hartsaugh, wife of Anglebut Hartsaugh and Elizabeth Shaw, wife of John Shaw and son-in-law, John Goodwin. He removed to Seneca Co.,

N. Y. about 1800. He had a son, Benjamin[5] and a dau., Sarah[5], both of whom died young. (See Michael Shoemaker Book, pp. 416f, 791f, 1313.) The 1790 census shows him living in Lucerne, Penna. with one son over 16 and three daughters.

(7) Mowbray Owen[4], b. 15 June 1753; d. 4 Jan. 1834, aged 80 years, 6 months and 19 days; m. Mary, b. 1766; d. 20 Aug. 1851, aged 85 years. His will was dated at Dryden, Tompkins Co., N. Y., 13 Feb. 1834 and received for probate 25 Mar. 1834. It mentioned his wife, Mary, nephew, Stephen Mackey and Anna Mackey, wife of Jeremiah Mackey. He removed to Ulysses, Seneca Co., N. Y. about 1800 where he was living when his brother, Anning, died. He is listed in the 1790 census from Warwicktown, Orange Co., N. Y. with no children, also ~~He served~~ in the 4th Reg. of Ulster Co. Militia, Rev. War. He served in the 2nd. N. Y. Line Reg. Rev. War.

(8) Sarah Owen[4]. No further information.

(9) Elizabeth Owen[4]. No further information.

(5) Eleazer Owen[3]. He appears first in the Brookhaven records when, together with George Owen and Jonathan Owen and others, including William Helme and Zachariah Hawkins, he signed, 24 April 1738, a release to Rev. George Phillips, "who had been minister for 43 years", of a lot in Brookhaven. (Book C, Brookhaven Published Records, pp. 141-143) He was also on the list of principal freeholders of Brookhaven in 1738. After this his name does not again appear in Brookhaven records. The Gustin Genealogy says, probably incorrectly, that he was the Eleazer Owen who was killed at the battle of Minisink, July 1779, confusing him quite certainly with Eleazer Owen in Orange Co., a son of Jonathan and Patience (Vallance) Owen, who was born in Salisbury or Sharon, Conn., Feb. 1755 and belonged to the Connecticut Owen family which was not related to the earlier Owen family of Orange Co., N. Y. so far as is known. This probably was the Eleazer Owen who m. Abagail and had a son Eleazer b. 1 Jan. 1780.

(3) John Owen[2], (Gorg[1]) probably died at Southold, L. I., 7 Jan. 1737. He is listed in the Owen family records as a brother of Edwin (Even), Moses and Jonathan. His name does not appear in the Brookhaven records but he does appear among the enlisted men in Capt. George Bradshaw's Suffolk County Company, 17 June 1692. (Report of the State (N. Y.) Historian, Colonial Series, Vol. I, p. 418.) The same source, Vol. I, p. 403, and Vol. II, pp. 469 and 479 all dated between 1690 and 1703 records military activities of a John Owen without stating where he was from, except that Vol. I, p. 403 says, referring probably only to the commander of the company, Capt. Gabriel Thompson, "supposed to be

1695 [illegible] Southold, under family of [illegible]

from Piscattaway, Md." The fact, however, that the Sergeant of this company was named Jonathan Horton, a Southold, Suffolk Co., L. I. name makes one suspect that he and John Owen, at least, were of that section. The date was 1690. The 1703 reference, Vol. II, p. 479, ~~date 1703~~, lists John Owen in the accounts of sick persons in His Excellency's (Lord Cornbury's) Company. A little book entitled "Town of Southold Indexes to 1698 and of 1698" by Charles B. Moore 1868 says on page 106 that John Owen was a soldier "in the time of Leisler 1689" also that he was "living with or near Joshua Wells in 1698." He is recorded as witnessing deeds in Southold in 1699 and 1702. He is also shown to have been issued warrants 15 Oct. 1700 "for joiner work on the barge" and on 27 Apr. 1702, by the sheriff of Suffolk County for "joiner work done at the fort." (N. Y. State Library, Bulletin 58, March 1902, Calendar of Council Minutes, 1688-1783, pp. 149, 150, 167.) His children, if he had any cannot be identified. His wife may have been Mary Owen who died at Southold 18 May 1740 and he may have been the father of some of those of the Owen name shown in the early Southold records including Jonathan Owen who m., 23 Oct., Bethia Terry of Southold and removed to Orange County, New York and supposedly (not proved) had sons (1) Gershom Owen^{3} who married Hannah dau. of William and Margaret Knapp of Goshen and raised seven children named Jonathan, Terry, Bethia, Mary, Margaret, Sally and Hannah; (2) Nathaniel Owen^{3} who married twice if not three times and had nine children named Susannah, Jonathan, Bethia, Sarah, Joshua, David, William, Juliana and Temperance; (3) John Owen^{3} whose farm of 17½ acres is mentioned along with meadow land of Gershom Owen in a deed of Thomas Gustin dated 31 Jan. 1767. (Vol. C, pp. 456 and 457, Orange Co. Records.); (4) Joshua (Joseph) Owen, b. 1729/30; d. 21 Oct. 1819 at Troy, N. Y. He married, at Poughkeepsie, N.Y., 19 Oct. 1754, Sarah Oustrom and had children, John Oustrom Owen, Bethia Owen and Mary Owen.(N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Reg. Vol. 46, p. 10 and Marriages and Births in Dutchess Co., N. Y. by H. S. Reynolds.)

(4) Moses Owen^{2}, (Gorg^{1}) first appears in the Brookhaven, L. I. records on 1 Aug. 1687 when he purchased from John Tucker (Tooker) a "house and lot scituate in Brookhaven joining to a hygh way by Thomas Jenner's home lot on ye north side and ye land of John Jenner on the south side etc. with all improvements thereon." (Book B, pp. 278-279 Brookhaven published records.) On 25th of January 1713/14, calling himself a carpenter, he gave property to his "son Even Owen" and on 6 Sept. 1718 he gave property to his son Gorg (George) Owen. The witnesses to both of these deeds of gift were Gorg (George) Phillips and Sarah Phillips. (Ibid pp. 397-399) George Phillips was the fourth pastor of the Brookhaven church, the first having been Rev. Nathaniel Brewster, the second Mr. Eburn and the third Jonah Fordham. Moses Owen was not again found in Brookhaven records and since his name does not appear on the Oct. 1719 list of principal freeholders of Brookhaven along with Jonathan, Aaron and George Owen, Jr. it is probable that he died about the time that his deeds of gift to his sons Even and George were made. Moses Owen was

elected a constable in 1694, a collector in 1699 and a trustee of Brookhaven (Selectman) in 1701. (Brookhaven Town Records.)

The children of Moses Owen^{2} were:

(1) Even Owen^{3}, no further record than that shown above except that Even Owen witnessed, 17 April 1713, a deed of H. and Anna Smith to Samuel Tooker in Brookhaven.(Book B, p. 340, Brookhaven Rec.)

(2) George Owen^{3}, no further identifiable record.

(3) Moses Owen, Jr.^{3}, probably a son. This Moses Owen settled in White Plains, N. Y. in 1730 and died there in 1772. His will (White Plains, N. Y. Probate Records) dated 17 June 1772 and proved 3 July 1772, mentioned wife Elizabeth and children, (1) Moses who was still living in White Plains, N. Y. in 1777; (2) Esther, wife of John Jones and her daughters Susannah and Elizabeth; (3) Sarah, wife of Josiah Disbrow and her son Samuel; (4) Mary, wife of William Ascaugh and her son Samuel; (5) Cornell Owen, deceased, his sons Thomas and Stephen and dau. Jemima; (6) Mary, wife of Nathaniel Adams and her dau. Mary. It is hard to see who this Moses Owen could have been if he was not the son of Moses, Sr. of Brookhaven. At the same time, if this be true, it seems strange that he did not participate in gifts of property from his father along with Aaron and George. The wife of Moses Owen very probably was Elizabeth Cornell. He died possessed of some 150 house lots on Minifils Island (now City Island) that lies off shore adjacent to Pelham Manor in the Bronx, N. Y. He also owned property in White Plains which he willed to his son, Moses. (N. Y. Abstract of Wills, Vol. VIII, p. 55.) He was a prominent figure in lower Westchester Co., N. Y. where he served as a town officer almost every year until 1762 missing only the years 1754-1761 when, apparently he lived at Rye, N. Y. He was one of His Majesties Justice of the Peace for the County of Westchester in 1755. (White Plains, N. Y. Town Rec.)

(5) Jonathan Owen^{2}, (Gorg^{1}), b. 1671; d. 1750, aged 79. He m., about 1790, Mary Brewster, dau. of Nathaniel and Sarah Brewster. Both lie buried in the Owens - Raymond Cemetery near Bedford, Westchester Co., N. Y. (See Family II below for children and fuller report on this family.)

(6) There may have been some daughters but if so no record of them has been found.

FAMILY II

(6) JONATHAN OWEN[2] (George[1]) b., 1670/71; d., 1750, aged 79. He first appears in the Brookhaven, Suffolk Co., N. Y. records on 31 March 1690 when he bought of Joseph Davis of Brookhaven "a certain House, Barn and Homestall together with Orchard, fencings and other improvements now in possession of John Smith being on the north side (of) the land now in possession of John Muncey and a hyway on the south side." The deed was witnessed by Thomas Helme and George Owen and registered by Timothy Brewster. (Book B, pp. 289,290 of Brookhaven published records.) He is shown by subsequent records to have been a carpenter and was designated later in Suffolk and Orange County, N. Y. deeds, as "Planter", "Yeoman" and "Gentlemen". He was born, according to family records, in Cork, Ireland in 1671 and died in Bedford, Westchester Co., N. Y., aged about 84. (His gravestone says he died in 1750, aged 79.) He married, probably near the time of his purchase of the above homelot, Mary Brewster of Brookhaven who by Owen family records was born in 1671 and died in 1750. (Her gravestone gives no dates.) Mary Brewster, the family record tells us was a daughter of Rev. Nathaniel Brewster, the first pastor at Brookhaven, and his wife, Sarah Ludlow, the latter a daughter of Deputy Governor of the ~~New Haven Colony~~ Connecticut, Roger Ludlow. Jonathan Owen and his wife, Mary Brewster, lie buried in the Owen - Raymond Cemetery on McLean Street that runs to the right off route 172 as one travels westward between Bedford and Mt. Kisco, in Westchester Co., N. Y. There are three important stones in this old brush infested cemetery which the writer personally saw April 8, 1952. The principal stone of the three is a tall four sided one bearing the following inscriptions -

South face "In memory of Jonathan Owen
who died 1750 age 79
"also
"Mary Brewster wife of Jonathan Owen"

West face "In memory of Joseph Owen, son of Jonathan
and Mary Owen who died October 11, 1759
age 53 years
"also
"Hannah Helme, wife of Joseph Owen
d. Dec. 31, 1789 aged 82 years"

North face "Erected January 1857"

Standing in line with this four sided stone and immediately to the north of it are two smaller stones the first one reading -

"In memory of Joseph Owen who d. May
11, 1813 age 77 years, 8 months and 6 days"

and the second one -

"Millicent, wife of Joseph Owen
d. May 26, 1816, age 74 years"

Obviously these three stones commemorate three successive generations of the Owen Family of Bedford, New York, beginning with Jonathan and Mary, thence to Joseph and Hannah and then to Joseph, Jr. and Millicent. Other stones north of the three here described are of the children of Joseph and Millicent Owen and their wives and children. There are also stones of the Woolsey name near by. The stones in the rear of the cemetery are mostly of the Raymond name.

Rev. Nathaniel Brewster, shown, by Owen family records, to have been the father of Mary, wife of Jonathan Owen, was quite certainly a son of Francis Brewster, Jr. of Bristol, England and New Haven, Connecticut. It seems quite certain also that he married, probably as his second wife, Sarah Ludlow, daughter of Hon. Roger Ludlow, Deputy Governor of Massachusetts Bay Colony and later Deputy Governor of the ~~New Haven~~ Connecticut Colony. (See Am. Genealogist, Vols. 12, 13 and 14, published by

"all my daughters"

Donald Lines Jacobus, for more about this Brewster family.) Rev. Nathaniel Brewster died 18 December, 1690, aged 70 and his will, written 16 March, 1684/85 or more than five years before his death, did not mention his daughters. It did mention his "eldest son John" and sons Timothy and Daniel and grandchildren, Daniel and Abagail Burr. It also mentioned his wife, Sarah. Brookhaven records show that he had a daughter, Dinah Brewster, who married, 6 April 1685, Joseph Tooker, and other writings indicate that another daughter, probably Hannah, b. 19 May 1669, married, first, John Muncy, who died in 1691, and 2nd., Samuel Thompson. The grave markers quoted above are strong proof that another of his daughters, named Mary, married Jonathan Owen, and the nuncupative will of John Muncy published in the book "Early Long Island Wills" by William S. Pellatreau, p. 16 supplies circumstantial proof of it. This will was dated at Brookhaven, County of Suffolk, L. I., 14 Feb. 1690/91 and, in essentials, reads as follows:

> "Timothy Brewster being sent for by John Muncy a little before his death he desiring me then to write his will and I thinking it not convenient at that time did forbear writing & desired him to declare his mind before these witnesses underwritten that if no better opportunity should present they might declare w^{t} was his will or desire to ye disposal of his house and land, which he did according as followeth; I^{t} - to his son John Muncy he gave ye one half of house and lands; to brother Sam'l he gave ye other half to divide equally with his son John only not half ye meadow. To his wife he left nothing but what the law allowith. Jonathan Owen asked him ye next morning w^{t} meadow he referred to not to be divided he answered that it was ye meadow at ye west meadow."
>
> "Witnesses Jonathan Owen
> Sarah Riggs
> Timothy Brewster"

The above document supports the belief that John Muncy and the three witnesses whose names were appended to it were related, and, since other writings have it that John Muncy's wife was Hannah, daughter of Rev. Nathaniel Brewster, that they were related through the Brewster family. The date being 1690/91 and before the

children of Rev. Nathaniel were old enough to have grown children of their own it leaves only his own children as the ones involved. That Timothy Brewster was his son, Sarah Riggs his daughter and John Muncy and Jonathan Owen his sons-in-law are strong probabilities and good reason why the youthful twenty year old Jonathan Owen was chosen to play such an important part in the nuncupative will of John Muncy.

Jonathan Owen was a trustee (selectman) or other officer of Brookhaven in 1696 and about half the years thereafter until 1737, serving in 1728 as president and much of the time with Samuel Thompson and members of the Brewster family. In some years he served as constable, assessor and collector and occasionally held two city offices in the same year. He was referred to as Lieutenant Jonathan Owen after 5 May 1713 and until 4 November 1728. Thereafter he was called Captain. The Report of the State (N. Y.) Historian, Colonial Series, 1896, pp. 514-515, lists the soldiers in the Brookhaven Co. for 1715 and shows Joseph Tooker as Capt., Jonathan Owen as Lieut. and among the privates, Jonathan Owen, probably Jonathan Owen, Jr., Aaron Owen, Eleazer Hawkins, Samuel Tomson, Daniel Brewster and Nathaniel Brewster.

In 1696 Jonathan Owen agreed to "clapboard and groundsel" the south side of the Meeting House also to "make three shutters and mend the seats." This employment shows him to have been a carpenter or joiner. On 6 April 1697 the trustees of Brookhaven including Jonathan Owen, Thomas Biggs and Samuel Thompson commissioned Daniel Brewster to go to Jamaica, L. I. to invite Mr. Phillips to visit the town in order to arrange an agreement with him "in the work of the ministry." (First Presb. Church, Setauket, L. I., by Kate W. Strong, 1942.) On 28 August

1710 "at Public Towne Meeting" Jonathan Owen and Samuel Thompson, Selah Strong, Col. Henry Smith and two others were chosen to "order the building of the (new) Meeting House and to proportion the same and place of setting up where it shall stand and Remaine to ye Public use etc." (Ibid, p. 7; also Book B, Brookhaven published records, p. 333.) On 12 June 1718 "Left. Jonathan Owen and Justice Nathaniel Brewster" were chosen to view the Towne Lott at Mountmissery for trespassers and to take legal action if any were found and report to the trustees at the next meeting. (Book B Ibid) Jonathan Owen and Samuel Thompson were executors of the will of John Fently dated 30 June 1718. The Owen name was miswritten "Joseph Owen" in "Abstract of New York Wills", Vol. 2, p. 312 but the error corrected in Vol. XVI, p. 91 making it "Jonathan Owen" instead. At a meeting of the Trustees of Brookhaven, 20 Feb. 1728/29 "Capt. Jonathan Owen and Nathaniel Brewster who previously had been appointed to "Balance the Public accounts" made their report. (Book C, p. 137 Brookhaven published records.) These and other affiliations of members of the Brewster family with Jonathan Owen and Samuel Thompson who is said to have married Hannah (Brewster) Muncy add more weight to the belief that the three families were related.

Jonathan Owen was one of the very early owners of land in Orange Co., New York. On 6 November 1712 Jonathan Owen of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk, Colony of New York, planter, and Daniel Miller of East Hampton in the Island of Nassau, Colony of New York, yeoman, loaned to Joanes Burger of Pisattana in the county of Middlesex in New Jersey, cordwainer, the sum of 46 pounds and 18 shillings and took as security a conditional deed to one seventh part of a tract of land called Sicopes situated in the county of Orange in the province of New York which "in the

year 1707 was by patent granted to myself (Burger) and others etc." (Land Record Book B, p. 79, Orange Co., Goshen, N. Y.) On 10 November 1716 Johannes Burger and his wife Lena relinquished this land to Jonathan Owen of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk, yeoman, and Daniel Miller of East Hampton County of Suffolk, yeoman, "for the sum of 47 pounds current money in hand paid." (Land Record Book E, p. 359, Orange Co., Goshen, N. Y.) On 9 January 1726 Daniel Miller of East Hampton, L. I. sold his share in this Orange County property to Daniel Brewster of Brookhaven, L. I. for 40 pounds current money of New York. (Land Record Book E, p. 361, Orange Co., Goshen, N. Y.) On 6 February 1734/35 Jonathan Owen of Brookhaven in County of Suffolk, province of New York, Gentleman, for 71 pounds current money of New York sold his share of this Orange County property to "William Smith of the city of New York, attorney at law." (Land Record Book E, p. 362 Orange Co., Goshen, N. Y.)

Jonathan Owen does not appear in the Brookhaven, L. I. records between 1730 and 6 Feb. 1734/35 when, as above shown, he sold his interest in his land in Orange Co., N. Y. to William Smith of N. Y. City. On 20 June 1734 a Greenwich, Conn. deed shows a Jonathan Owen called a "carpenter of Greenwich, Conn.," buying land in Greenwich, Conn. from the estate of Timothy Knapp at a place "cauled Field." He probably was Jonathan Owen, Jr. and had come to the main land with his brothers Joseph and Ebenezer. He scarcely could have been Jonathan Owen, Sr. for the latter was a resident of Brookhaven on 6 Feb. 1735, when, as we have seen, he sold his property in Orange Co., N. Y. He was there also on 2 May 1737, when he was elected a Trustee of Brookhaven, L. I. He attended a meeting of the trustees the next year, 18 Jan. 1738, and signed a petition there 14 Feb. 1738. As will be seen later Jonathan Owen of Greenwich received grants of land from the town

in April 1738 and bought and was granted more land there early in 1740. He was also living there as late as 1747 when, apparently, he dispossed of all of his property in Greenwich. In all of these transactions he described himself as being of Greenwich, Conn.

An unrecorded deed owned by Mrs. Leroy S. King of East Hampton, L. I. and dated 29 April 1740 shows that Jonathan Owen of Brookhaven, L. I., yeoman, sold on that date to Daniel Smith of Brookhaven "our (one) certain Lot or parcele of Land lying and being on the southard End of the Town of Brookhaven Afors$^{\underline{d}}$ fifty acres more or less . . ." A Brookhaven town record dated 3 June 1742 mentions a tract of land of "Capt. Jonathan Owens called Nichols Path now in possession of Daniel Smith, Etc." (Book B, pp. 459-460 Brookhaven published records.) These two records read together, show that the unrecorded deed of 29 April 1740 above mentioned was from Capt. Jonathan Owen and not his son and the land being on the "southerd end of Brookhaven" makes it fit the description of land that "Jonathan Owen, Sr.", on 10 March 1701, asked the town to give him, it being "a piece of land laid out on the southerd side of a 20 acre lot given his father Owen by the towne over against his brother George Owens house." (Book C, p. 35 Brookhaven published records.) The "20 acre lot given his father Owen by the Towne" very probably was the same as that shown by the record dated 1684/85 which reads, "gorg oven had layd out 20 aker of land over against their house west side of way." (Book B, p. 4 of Brookhaven published records.) This group of Brookhaven town and land records prove that Jonathan Owen had a brother George, shows that their father had been in Brookhaven before them and that his name very likely was Gorg (George) Owen, Sr. (See note at bottom of page[1])

The town and church records of Brookhaven and Setauket are so sketchy and incomplete and the settlers there were so careless about recording deeds, leases and mortgages that it is next to impossible to identify families with assured accuracy. The Owen family records, already mentioned, say, but without giving the children's names, that Jonathan and Mary (Brewster) Owen had a family of five sons and two daughters. Only two of these seven can be identified from the records, namely, Jonathan, Jr. and Joseph and the children of only one of these two, namely Joseph, is known with certainty. Another son, named Ebenezer, is also well authenticated as a son of Jonathan if not actually proved.

The children of Jonathan and Mary Brewster with reservations as shown were:

(1) Jonathan Owen, Jr.[3]. A Jonathan Owen, Sr. and a Jonathan Owen, Jr. are both mentioned in the early Brookhaven, L. I. records showing that there was a son Jonathan, Jr. Jonathan Owen with a suffix Sr. is first mentioned, 13 July 1720. (Book B, Brookhaven published records, pp. 388 and 389.) A Jonathan Owen with a suffix Jr. is first mentioned 11 March 1724, when he registered an ear mark, (Ibid p. 517), and again on 29 March 1735 in a land division. (Book C, Brookhaven published records, p. 170.) He is thought by some to have been the Jonathan Owen who married, 23 Oct. 1723, at Southold, L. I., Bethia Terry, (Southold, L. I. Vital Records), and removed to Orange County, New York about 1737. There are doubts about this claim because of the marriage having been performed in Southold rather than Brookhaven and for the fact that the Jonathan Owen of the Greenwich, Conn. records was living in Greenwich when the Orange County, N. Y. Jonathan was serving there, in 1738, as a Mililiaman in the company of Capt. Thomas Ellison. (Report of the State (N. Y.) Historian, Colonial Series 1896, Vol. 1, p. 614.) The Greenwich, Conn. land records shows "Jonathan Owen, carpenter of Greenwich, Conn.", purchasing land from the estate of Timothy Knapp, 20 June 1734, at a place "cauled Field." In April of 1736 "Jonathan Owen of Greenwich, Conn." was granted four parcels of land by the town of Greenwich and in the same month and year sold land in Greenwich to Daniel Knapp et al and bought a parcel in Greenwich from Ephriam Bostwick. From April 1736 to Feb. 1740 his name does not appear in the Greenwich records. In Feb. and March of 1740 "Jonathan Owen of Greenwich, Conn.", bought land in Greenwich from James Knapp and sold land there to Benjamin Brush. In June of 1740 "Jonathan Owen of Greenwich, Conn." was granted three

more parcels of land by the town and in the same month bought land in Greenwich from Samuel Lockwood and Samuel Ferris. On 26 Jan. 1745/46, 24 Aug. 1747 and 1 Sept. 1747, "Jonathan Owen of Greenwich, Conn. warranted five separate deeds which disposed of his property in Greenwich, after which his name does not appear in the Greenwich records again. (Book 4, 5 and 6 Greenwich, Conn. Deeds.) He probably removed at that time to lower Dutchess Co., N. Y., now Putnam Co., where on 22 Aug. 1760, he witnessed the will of William Southerland of Northcastle in Westchester County. (Abstract of N. Y. Wills, Vol. VI, p. 86.) His wife may have been the Rachel Owen of Westchester County, N. Y., the administration of whose intestate estate was given to Moses Wayman 12 May 1768. (Abstract of N. Y. Wills, Vol. VII, p. 465.)

On 14 March 1740 Joseph Owen, who was described as being of Northcastle in the County of Westchester bought land in Greenwich, Conn. from Ephriam Palmer and Abraham Rundell and on the same date, but described as being of Greenwich, bought land in Greenwich from Samuel Smith. He last appeared in the Greenwich records in the year 1746 when he disposed of his Greenwich properties. (Books 5, 6 and 7 Greenwich, Conn. Deeds.)

Joseph and Jonathan Owen probably were brothers who, with their brother Ebenezer, who was recorded as a freeman in Bedford, N. Y. in 1741, had come from Long Island to the Mainland between 1730 and 1740.

The children of Jonathan Owen, Jr.[3], not all proved, could have been:

(1) Jonathan Owen[4], b., say 1734, and died in Philipse Precinct of Dutchess Co. N.Y. between 12 Jan. 1785 when his will was written and 23 Feb. 1785 when it was proved. (N. Y. Abstract of Wills, Vol. VIII.) He called himself Jonathan Owen Jr. of the South Precinct of Dutchess Co., N. Y. on 28 Dec. 1774 when he deeded 60 acres of land to Throbel Brush of Northcastle in Westchester Co., N. Y. (Vol. 1, p. 140 Land Records at White Plains, N. Y.) His will mentioned his wife Jain, said to have been Jane Lockwood, and designated her together with Jesse Owen, presumably his brother, as executors. Children mentioned were, (1) Jonathan Owen "eldest son"; (2) Levi Owen; (3) Abbey Owen; (4) Samuel Owen; (5) Mary Owen; (6) Israel Owen; (7) Benjamin Owen, and (8) Solomon Owen. (N. Y. Abstract of Wills) Other records show his son Jonathan, the eldest son, to have been born 15 May 1759; d. 15 Nov. 1848 leaving children, Jane; Phebe; Ruth; Eliza and Philamon Smith Owen.

(2) Ebenezer Owen[4], b. about 1735/36. An Ebenezer Owen enlisted in Capt. Peter Harris' Dutchess Co., N. Y. Militia, 28 May 1761, giving his age as 25 and his birth place, New England. He may have been born in Greenwich, Conn., thus giving him the right to say, as he did when enlisting, that he was born in New England.

He probably was the same Ebenezer Owen who enlisted 4 April 1759 in the Connecticut 4th Company of the 3rd. Regiment of N. Y. Militia commanded by Capt. Thomas Hobby. (See Conn. Hist. Soc. Collections, Vol. X, p. 148; also see "Ye Historie of ye towne of Greenwich" by Spencer P. Mead, p. 79.

(3) Jarediah (Jedidiah) Owen[4], b. 1738/39; d. at Harrison, Westchester County, N. Y. between 7 Sept. 1793 when his will was written and 8 Aug. 1796 when it was proved. (White Plains, Liber B, p. 371.) His will mentioned his wife, Jane, and "Jonathan Owen, my eldest brother's son" but no children. He bequeathed a life use of half of his estate to his wife and the other half outright to one "John Vunold who now lives with me." After his wife's death this same John Vunold was to have her portion of his estate. He evidently had no children unless John Vunold was a grandson, a son of his daughter probably deceased. Jarediah Owen was on the Colonial muster roll of Capt. William Gilchrist's Company of Westchester Co., N. Y., 15 May 1761, giving his birthplace as Westchester Co., N. Y., date of enlistment as 27 April 1761 and age 22.

(4) Jesse Owen[4], b. 23 Jan. 1741; d. 12 March 1820; m., about 1769, Mary Dobbin, b. 15 Sept. 1752; d. 25 March 1826. She may have been his 2nd. wife because a Jesse Owen m., 11 Apr. 1768, at Salem, Westchester Co., N. Y., Hannah Tyler. (N. Y. Gen. and Biog. Reg., Vol. 31, p. 88.) Who this second Jesse Owen could have been other than the one who later married Mary Dobbin is hard to understand. Mary Dobbin was a dau. of Hugh and Betsey (Jackson) Dobbin both born in Ireland, later residents of Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y. Jesse and Mary (Dobbins) Owen lived first in the Goshen precinct of Orange Co., then in Putnam Valley of Dutchess Co., N. Y. The children of Jesse and Mary (Dobbin) Owen were (1) Elizabeth Owen[5], b. 20 June 1770; d. 4 Feb. 1856; m. Ezra Hubbell, b. 18 May 1763; d. 22 Sept. 1822; (2) John Owen; (3) Hugh Owen; (4) Jane Owen, m. Jonathan Ferris; (5) Zephaniah Owen.

(2) Nathaniel Owen[3] (Jonathan[2], Gorg[1]) probably a son but not so proved. A Nathaniel Owen died intestate in Orange County, N. Y. in 1763. Letters of administration of his estate were given to Samuel Jones 1 December 1763. (Abstract of N. Y. Wills Orange Co., N. Y., Vol. VI, p. 448.) He probably had sons Jonathan and Nathaniel. A Jonathan Owen on 27 December 1763 witnessed a deed of "Bridget Jones, John Jones and Thomas Jones executrix and executors of the last will and testament of Evan Jones, Surgeon, late of Hermitage in the County of Ulster" that conveyed land to Samuel Brewster that had been in his possession "for the past year." A Nathaniel Owen enlisted as a militiaman from Suffolk Co., Long Island, N. Y., 18 April 1758 in Capt. Alexander Smith's Company.

A Nathaniel Owen was registered October 1769 as a member of the Goshen Presbyterian Church. A Nathaniel Owen, Jr. signed a deed of Nathaniel and Nancy Owen 11 May 1784. The latter Nathaniel Owen, was a son of Jonathan Owen and his will, proved in Ulster Co. 15 May 1807, did not mention a son, Nathaniel, which means that he either predeceased his father or was another Nathaniel, probably son of above. A Nathaniel Owen served from Ulster County in the war of the Rev., and a Nathaniel Owen of Wallkill, Ulster Co., N. Y. is shown in the 1790 census with a family of two males over 16, two under 16, three females and two slaves. (See family of John Owen, pages 8 and 9 herein.)

(3) Ebenezer Owen^{3}, (Jonathan^{2}, Gorg^{1}) was b. in Suffolk Co., L. I. about 1710. He d. in Wallkill, Orange Co., N. Y. in 1759 and lies buried in the Phinehas Tuthill burial plot half way between Blooming Grove Crossing and Lincondale, Orange Co., N. Y. He m., probably about 1735, in Suffolk Co., L. I., Temperance Helme, b., say 1712, dau. of William Helme of Brookhaven, L. I. He removed first to Westchester Co., N. Y. and was listed as a freeman at Bedford, Westchester County, N. Y., 21 Sept. 1741. (Vol. I, p. 37, Hist. Westchester Co., N. Y. by Robert Bolton, 1881.) He then removed to Wallkill, Orange County, N. Y. near Mt. Joy where he died in 1759. This family record is supported by a sketch of 17 April 1900 in the Goshen Independent Republican by J. H. Thompson which reads in part as follows:

"The Owens (family) came from Wales and settled on Long Island about 1711. The first verifiable representative of the family was Ebenezer Owen who at the outset lived for a time in Westchester County, New York and subsequently moved to Orange County, New York and located in the town of Wallkill near Mt. Joy on what is now the farm owned and occupied by Horace D. Thompson. He married Temperance, daughter of William Helme and died in 1759 leaving four sons and five daughters, as follows: Ebenezer Jr.; William; Nathaniel; Jonathan; Charity; Ketura; Julia; Ann and Temperance."

The Helme family was a prominent one at Brookhaven, Long Island. William Helme, the father of Temperance, who married Ebenezer Owen was a son of Thomas Helme, d. 1710, first town clerk of Brookhaven, and his wife, Joanna, daughter of Andrew Miller. William Helme had a large family including sons, Thomas and William Helme, Jr., the latter of whom removed to Orange Co., N. Y. and died there in 1758. William Helme, Sr. is said to have been the father, also, of Hannah Helme who m. Joseph Owen, brother of Ebenezer, who lived at Bedford, N. Y. (See Family III)

The children of Ebenezer Owen and his wife, Temperance Helme, order of birth not certain, were:

(1) Ebenezer Owen, Jr.^{4}, was born probably in Brookhaven, Long Island about 1737; d. in Vernon Township, Sussex County, New Jersey between

25 Aug. 1800, when his will was written, and 16 Sept. 1800 when it was proved. It mentioned his wife without naming her and all children listed below except Hannah who probably was deceased. (N. J. ~~Calendar~~ Abstracts of Wills, Vol. IX, p. 272.) His wife was Anny (Amy) as is proved by her will which was dated at Newton Township, Sussex County, New Jersey, 11 Jan. 1814 and proved, 15 Feb. 1814. Her will mentioned all eight of the children named below as well as her "grandchildren, the children of Isaac H. Owen and of Abraham Owen, deceased, and of Temperance Wright, deceased and of Hannah Shepherd, deceased, and of Anny Cane, deceased." Son, Jonathan Owen and friend, Robert Price were named as executors. (N. J. ~~Calendar~~ Abstracts of Wills, Vol. XIII, p. 319.)

Children: (1) Ebenezer; (2) Temperance; (3) Hannah; (4) Abraham; (5) Isaac H.; (6) Anna; (7) Elizabeth; (8) Jonathan. Ebenezer Owen, Jr.[4] undoubtedly was the "Ebenezer Owen of Pochaik who was one of the executors of the will of Timothy Owen of Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y., dated 4 March 1761. He also, quite certainly, was the Ebenezer Owen who enlisted in Capt. Peter Smith's Orange Co., N. Y. Militia, 25 April 1758, giving his age as 21. He was also the Ebenezer Owen who served as Capt. of the Pochuk Company of Orange Co. Militia under Col. William Allison at the beginning of the Rev. War and later as Capt. in the 4th N. Y. Regiment commanded by Col. John Hathorn. (See Report of State Historian, N. Y. Colonial Series, 1896, Vols. I and II; also see "N. Y. in the Revolution"; also see "Hist. of Orange Co., N. Y.", p. 48 by Ruthenber and Clark, 1881"; also see Public Papers of Gov. George Clinton, Rev. War series, Vol. 1, p. 293.)

(2) William Owen[4], b. 8 April 1740 in Westchester Co., N. Y.; d. 17 Oct. 1805 at Blooming Grove, Orange Co., N. Y. He m. Elizabeth Burden, b. in Bristol Co., Rhode Island, 13 Apr. 1758; d., at Blooming Grove, Orange Co., N. Y., 22 Mar. 1812. William Owen was on the muster roll of Capt. Howell's Co., Orange Co., N. Y. dated 19 May 1760 giving his age as 19 and his birthplace as Long Island and occupation tailor. The following year, on 21 April 1761, he enlisted in Capt. Peter Lent's Company, Orange County, giving his age as 20 and his birthplace as Long Island. Their children were, (1) Jonathan who m. Martha Rocket; (2) Rosanna who m. William Turner; (3) Temperance who m. Josiah Gillipsie and (4) John Burden Owen.

(3) Nathaniel Owen[4].

(4) Jonathan Owen[4], d. Aug. 1814; m. probably at Blooming Grove, Orange Co., N. Y., Catherine Eleanor Kortright, b. 1747; d. 13 Dec. 1812. Family records of Owen family of Orange Co., N. Y. say he was a son of Ebenezer and the Jonathan Owen who was b., in Orange Co., N. Y., 1748/49 and d.,

at Ulysses, Seneca Co., N. Y., 21 Aug. 1814, age 65. Certain signs, however, point to his having been a son of Nathaniel, the brother of Gershom, rather than of Ebenezer and further research may prove this to be true. His will was written at Ulysses, N. Y., 19 Aug. 1814 and probated 26 Aug. 1814. It ~~mentioned~~ named all children mentioned below and designated his son, Jonathan, of Ulysses, N. Y. and Caleb Carman of Hector, N. Y. as executors. Their children were, (1) Nathaniel, b. 5 July 1773; (2) William, b. 20 Feb. 1775; (3) Joseph, b. 1777; (4) Jesse, b. 27 Jan. 1779; (5) Mary, b. 11 Nov. 1780; (6) Susannah, b. 12 Jan. 1782; (7) Jonathan, b. 1 Sept. 1783; (8) Eleanor, b. 1 Oct. 1787; (9) Sarah, b. 17 Apr. 1789 (gravestone says b. 17 July 1788; d. 20 May 1864), m. John Coddington; (10) Aaron Kortright Owen, b. 1794; m. 1st., Mary Dunning, m. 2nd., Martha Carman.

(5) Charity Owen^{4}, m., probably as his 2nd. wife, Denn or Daniel Decker who d. between 8 June 1786 when his will was written and 15 June 1786 when the inventory of his estate was taken by Ebenezer Owen. (N. J. Abstract of Wills Vol. VII, p. 61) Children mentioned in his will were, (1) daughter, Sarah Green; (2) Jeremiah; (3) daughter, Mary Williams; (4) Aaron; (5) Charity; (6) Temperance. The last three children were minors and chose Ebenezer Owen to be their guardians. They probably were children by his wife Charity Owen.

(6) Ketura Owen^{4}.

(7) Julia Owen^{4}.

(8) Temperance Owen^{4}, b. 20 April 1745; d. 17 April 1829; m., as his 2nd. wife, David Horton Jr., b. 18 Dec. 1744 whose first wife was Theodosia Allen whom he married 29 Oct. 1773. Of issue was a daughter Temperance Horton who m. David Leslie. David Horton Jr.^{6} was a son of David Horton Sr.^{5}, (Barnabas Jr.^{4}, Barnabas Sr.^{3}, Caleb^{2}, Barnabas^{1}).

(9) Ann Owen^{4}, b. about 1750; m., 29 March 1785, Colville Shepard who was b. 19 Dec. 1746 and d. Sept. 1810. They had one dau. named Hannah who m. Samuel Price. After her death Sauel Price m., as his second wife, Mrs. Temperance (Wisner) Vanderoef.

12 (4) George Owen^{3}, probably a son of Jonathan^{2}, (Gorg^{1}) was born in Brookhaven, L. I. and probably died in Orange Co., N. Y. about 1760. There were four and probably five George Owens in the early Brookhaven records. One was Gorg (George)^{1} the settler. Another was George, probably George Jr.^{2}, but not so designated, brother of Jonathan^{2}. The third was George Owen Jr.^{3}, son of the George^{2} who was the brother of Jonathan.^{2} The

fourth was George Owen^3, son of Moses^2. The fifth was George Owen^3 who is assumed by this writer to have been the son of Jonathan^2. The assumption of this fifth George Owen^3, son of Jonathan^2, is based on the fact that after the passing of eleven years (1725 to 1736) without a George Owen appearing, one came prominently into the Brookhaven records about the time that Jonathan Owen^2 departed from them, and on the additional fact that in those early days it was frequently the custom to elevate the son of a long prominent citizen to the position of his father when the latter, because of age, withdrew. This latter George Owen was elected a Trustee of Brookhaven 4 May 1736 and assessor and trustee 2 May 1737. This latter year was the last that Jonathan Owen^2, called Captain, was elected a trustee. (Book C, Brookhaven published records, p. 185.) On 14 Feb. 1738, Capt. Jonathan Owen^2 and George Owen^3 were the only trustees to join with twenty eight others in a protest petition "against Laying out Any Land that is Set Apart or Layd out for a Sheep Pasture in ye said Town." (Ibid p. 187) Being the only trustees to sign implies a close relationship between them. George Owen was elected a trustee in 1740 and 1741 and called Leftenant Owen in the latter year. He was assessor in 1745 and together with John Brewster was Commissioner of Roads in the years 1749 to 1753 inclusive and called Captain. He was on the Brookhaven rate list in 1758 which was his last appearance in the records except that on 15 June 1767 a meadow "formerly possessed by George Owen" is mentioned. (Ibid pp. 141, 143) This latter record indicates that he was deceased or not then living in Brookhaven. This writer suggests that together with John Brewster he removed to Orange Co., N. Y. about 1760 and died soon thereafter also that he was the father of George Owen^4 who died there in Aug. 1770 leaving, according to his will, a wife Elizabeth and a son George and other children mentioned but not named. George Owen^3 may also have been the father of Nathaniel Owen who enlisted in Capt. Alexander Smith's Co. of Suffolk Co. Militia, 18 April 1758 and of Samuel Owen who in 1743 "hath taken his gran father's mark" the description of which was identical with the one that was given Jonathan Owen^2 on 20 Jan. 1692.

(5) Ruth Owen^3, probably a daughter of Jonathan^2, (Gorg^1). She m., about 1723, as his 2nd. wife, Isaac Lawrence, Jr. whose parents removed from Newtown, L. I. to Eastchester in Westchester Co., N. Y. about 1689. They had a son, Isaac Lawrence, b., 1724; d. Mar. 25, 1795 who m. Kezia Pell, b. 1729. (Chart facing p. 247 of Vol. I of Bolton's Hist. of Westchester Co., N. Y.)

(6) A daughter^3, according to family records but name not found.

(7) Joseph Owen^3, Jonathan^2 (Gorg^1). He is proved to have been a son of Jonathan and Mary (Brewster) Owen both by family and cemetery records. (See pp. 11 and 12) He was b. at Brookhaven, Suffolk Co., L. I. in 1706 and died at Bedford, N. Y., October 11, 1759, aged 53 years. He mar-

ried, November 2, 1729, Hannah Helme, daughter of William Helme and granddaughter of Thomas Helme. She was b.in 1707 and died 31 Dec. 1789, aged 82. Her brother, William Helme, Jr., lived in Orange Co., N. Y. and died there in 1758 leaving a wife, Elizabeth and sons, William and Vincent. William Helme, Jr. mentioned a brother, Phinehas Helme in his will written in Orange Co., N. Y., May 2, 1758 and proved Oct. 19, 1758. (Abstract of N. Y. Wills, Vol. V, pp. 261, 262.)

FAMILY III

JOSEPH OWEN^{3},(Jonathan^{2}, Gorg^{1}), b. 1706 (Owen family records say b. June 22, 1706); d., at Bedford, Westchester County, New York, Oct. 11, 1759, age 53 (gravestone agrees). He lies buried in the Owen - Raymond Family Cemetery on the right hand side of McLean Street that runs to the right as one travels westerly on route 172 between Bedford and Mt. Kisco, New York. Joseph Owen married Hannah Helme who, according to her gravestone, was b. 1707 and d. Dec. 31, 1789, age 82. (Owen family records says she was Hannah Holmes, b. Dec. 8, 1703; d. Dec. 31, 1785 and that she m. Joseph Owen, Nov. 2, 1729.) She lies buried beside her husband. She was a daughter ~~either~~ of William Helme of Suffolk County, Long Island who was a son of Thomas Helme, "His Majesties Justice", in the Manor of St. George, Suffolk Co., Long Island and one of the patentees (1686) of the town of Brookhaven. He was town clerk for many years, clerk of the prerogative court and in 1704 commissioner of highways. Thomas Helme, Sr. settled first at Miller's Point, Suffolk Co., Long Island. He married Joanna Miller, daughter of Andrew Miller and had three sons, namely, (1) Thomas who died about 1730 leaving only one child named; Thomas; (2) William; (3) Anselm. (Manuscript Notes on Long Island Families by Benjamin F. Thompson in N. Y. Hist. Society, also see "Early Long Island Wills" pp. 16 and 278 by William S. Pelletreau.) William Helme, according to family

records, married Temperance Woodhull, dau. of Richard and Temperance (Fordham) Woodhull of Suffolk Co., Long Island.

Joseph Owen[3] was born in Brookhaven, Suffolk County, Long Island where he left but one record, namely, a request in Nov. 1729 for an ear mark for his cattle. He probably removed to Westchester County, New York soon after his marriage but made no record there until 14 March 1740 when, describing himself as of North Castle in the County of Westchester, state of New York, he bought land in Greenwich from Abraham Rundell, also bought from Ephriam Palmer of Greenwich a certain dwelling house and three acres of land lying and being in the town of Greenwich. (Vol. 5, pp. 226 - 227 Greenwich, Conn. Deeds.) On the same date but described as being of Greenwich he bought a 40 acre plot in Greenwich, Conn. from Samuel Smith of Greenwich. (Vol. 5, p. 299 Greenwich, Conn. Deeds.) These lands were located near Round Hill some two miles north of Greenwich center. Greenwich grantor deeds show that Joseph Owen disposed of all these properties before March 1746, but in no one of them was his wife's name mentioned. (~~Vol.~~ Book 5, p. 34 Book 6, pp. 207 and 372 and Book 7, p. 217 Greenwich, Conn. Deeds.)

The children of Joseph[3] and Hannah (Helme) Owen all confirmed by family records were:

(1) Hannah Owen[4], b. about 1730. No record found of her.

(2) Ruth Owen[4], b. ca. 1732; m. about 1751/52 John Woolsey, b. ca. 1727. He may have married as his 2nd. wife Elizabeth Haviland. He was a son of William Woolsey[3] (Thomas[2], George[1] from England in 1623.) One child of John and Ruth (Owen) Woolsey was:

(1) John Woolsey, b. 1752; d. Dec. 1815, aged 63; m. Elizabeth Fountain, dau. of Ezra Fountain and lived in Bedford, N. Y.

By his 2nd. wife, Elizabeth Haviland, John Woolsey had a daughter,
(2) Ruth Woolsey, b. 26 June 1762; d. 21 Jan. 1875; m. Joseph Owen[5], (Joseph[4], Joseph[3], Jonathan[2], Gorg[1]).

(3) Peminah Owen[4], b. ca. 1734. She was still living, 12 June 1803, when her husband's will was written. She married, 1756, Caleb Sands[4], son of Othniel[3] and Susannah (Lang or Laing) Sands (James[2] and Sarah (Cornell) Sands, James Sands[1]) whose will was dated at Bedford, N. Y., 12 June 1803 and proved there 1 June 1807. (Liber E, page 84 White Plains.) The will mentioned his wife Peminah and six living children.

The children of Caleb Sands and his wife Peminah Owen were:

(1) Samuel Sands, b. 6 Dec. 1756; d. 1832; m. Sarah, dau. of Amos Deans. His will was dated at Bedford, N. Y., 28 May 1831 and proved in 1832. (Liber O, p. 159 White Plains.) The will mentioned his wife Sarah and children (1) Samuel; (2) David; (3) Stephen; (4) Caleb; (5) Amos, deceased and "his two sons and daughters;" (6) Jonathan; (7) Peminah; (8) Sarah; (9) Anna. Sons Caleb and Jonathan were designated executors and Stephen Thorn Sands; Joseph I. Sands and Betsey Sands all of Bedford were witnesses.

(2) Othniel Sands, b. 26 June 1758; m. Mary Merritt, dau. of Caleb and Deborah (Lyon) Merritt. Children (1) Caleb, m. Sarah Haight; (2) Peninah; (3) Merritt; (4) Mary.

(3) Ruth Sands, b. 11 Nov. 1759; died young. She was not mentioned in father's will but shown on chart facing page 716 of Hist. of Westchester Co., N. Y. by Bolton as having died without issue. Also shown in "Desc. of James Sands of Block Island" by Malcolm Sands Wilson, 1949.

(4) Joseph Sands, b. 26 Nov. 1760; d. 12 Feb. 1831; m. Elizabeth Thorne, according to "Desc. of James Sands of Block Island" by Malcolm Sands Wilson, 1949, but according to chart on p. 716 of Vol. I, Hist. of West.Co., N. Y. by Bolton he married Mary Sutton and had a family of 4 sons and 4 daughters. His daughters Phebe and Esther Sands were mentioned in his father's will.

(5) Caleb Sands, b. 13 Apr. 1762; m., Margaret Worden.

(6) Thomas Sands, b. 10 July 1764; m. Rachel Merritt, b. 20 Oct. 1761; d. 4 Mar. 1839. She was a dau. of Caleb and Deborah (Lyon) Merritt. Children, (1) Elizabeth, b. 31 May 1785; d. 26 Nov. 1826; (2) Daniel; (3) Rachel; (4) Mary; (5) Jerusha.

(7) John Sands, b. 10 Mar. 1767 of Northcastle, Westchester Co., N. Y. He m., 28 Sept. 1787, Ann Palmer. (Journal of Rev. Stiles Constant.) He and Isaac Green of Newcastle were executors of his father's will. He had a family of 4 sons and 4 daughters. The genealogy "Desc. of James Sands of Block Island," by Malcolm Sands Wilson, 1949, says he married Mary Hall.

(8) James Sands, b. 27 Sept. 1773; died young. He was not mentioned in father's will but shown in chart facing page 716 of Vol. I of Hist. of Westchester Co., N. Y. by Bolton as having died without issue, also shown in "Descendants of James Sands of Block Island" by Malcolm Sands Wilson, 1949.

(4) Joseph Owen, Jr.[4], b. Sept. 5, 1735; d. May 11, 1813, age 77 years, 8 mo. and 6 days. He married Millicent Horton who died May 26, 1816, age 74. She was a dau. of Daniel Horton and his wife Hester Lane. Both lie buried in the "Owen - Raymond Family Cemetery" at Bedford, N. Y. already referred to. (See Family IV below for children.)

(5) Sarah Owen[4], b. 19 Nov. 1737; d. 27 Oct. 1772; m. 24 Dec. 1758 Stephen Horton, b. 30 Apr. 1731; d. 7 Dec. 1814. He was a son of Daniel[4] and Hester (Lane) Horton, (John[3], Joseph[2], Barnabas[1]). Stephen Horton m. 2nd., 29 Dec. 1773 Elizabeth Frost, b. 24 Feb. 1741; d. 20 May 1825. Family lived at Yorktown, Westchester Co., N. Y. His will was dated at Yorktown 8 Oct. 1814 and proved 28 Dec. 1814. (Liber D, p. 225 White Plains, N. Y.) It mentioned his wife, Elizabeth and all his living children given below.

Children of Stephen Horton and his first wife, Sarah Owen[3]:

(1) Joseph Horton, b. 24 Aug. 1759; d. June 1813; m. Mary Beedle.

(2) Hannah Horton, b. 12 Jan. 1761; d. 30 Oct. 1827. She married but husband's name not found.

(3) Stephen Horton of Yorktown, N. Y. who d. between 14 Oct. 1825 when his will was written and 16 Nov. 1827 when it was proved. He m. 25 Dec. 1785 Elizabeth Haviland, dau. of Gilbert and Elizabeth (Downing) Haviland. His will mentioned his wife, Elizabeth and daughters Margaret Knapp; Hester Haight; Hannah Horton; Elizabeth Horton; Caroline Horton and Marah Horton and one son Cornelius Horton.

(4) Elizabeth Horton, b. 23 Oct. 1764; m. 25 Nov. 1787 William Beedle.

(5) Caleb Horton, b. 3 Nov. 1766; d. 11 Feb. 1771.

(6) Sarah Horton, b. 18 Nov. 1769; d. 20 Sept. 1771.

Children of Stephen Horton and his 2nd. wife, Elizabeth Frost:

(7) Caleb Horton again, b. 25 Sept. 1774; d. 26 May 1849; m. 22 Jan. 1800, Sarah Field.

(8) Wright Horton, b. 22 May 1766; m., 28 Nov. 1798, Anna Quereau.

(9) Jacob Horton, b. 19 Feb. 1779; d. 15 July 1808. He married 17 June 1802 but his wife's name was not found.

(10) Sarah Horton, again, b. 11 Mar. 1781; d. 20 Oct. 1858; m. 10 July 1824 Joseph Lee.

(6) Martha Owen[4], b. ca. 1739. She was still living 8 Oct. 1798 when her husband's will was written. She married Samuel Sands, brother of Caleb, ~~next~~ above, whose will was dated in the Township of Newcastle, N. Y., 8 Oct. 1798 and proved there 7 Mar. 1706 and witnessed by Samuel Sands, Jr., his brother Caleb's son, the latter's wife, Sarah, and their son, Samuel, 3rd. (Liber F, p. 193 White Plains.) The will mentioned his wife, Marah (Martha) and children: /8

(1) Piminah Sands. She m. John Falconer.

(2) Martha Sands. She m. Peter Acker.

(3) Abijah Sands. He did not marry.

(4) Susannah Sands. She was called daughter Susannah Smith in her father's will.

(5) Hannah Sands. She was not mentioned in her father's will but according to "Descendants of ~~John~~ Sands of Block Island" by Malcolm Sands Wilson, 1949, there was such a daughter who m. Lockwood Feeks. /James

(7) Mary Owen[4], b. ca. 1741; m. Josiah Woolsey[4] who died at Bedford, Westchester Co., N. Y. between 9 Sept. 1779 when his will was written and 3 Dec. 1779 when it was proved. His wife, Mary, and Joseph Owen were designated executors. He was a son of Richard[3], and Sarah Fowler Woolsey (Thomas[2], George[1] from England in 1623.)

Their children were:

(1) Stephen Woolsey.

(2) Thomas Woolsey, b. 1766; d. 1839. He lived in Bedford, N. Y.

(3) Josiah Woolsey, Jr. He lived in Bedford, N. Y.

(4) William Woolsey, b. 1770; d. 19 June 1836, aged 66 years, 2 mo. and 6 days. He married Jerusha Lyon who died 27 Apr. 1863, aged 88 years.

(5) Sarah Woolsey.

(6) Mary Woolsey.

(8) Thomas Owen[4], b. about 1742. He died at Bedford, N. Y. between June 29, 1774 when his will was written and Aug. 3, 1774 when it was proved. The will mentioned his wife Rachel and left his farm to his son Thomas, "when he shall arrive at the age of 21." To his dau. Ruth he left a legacy. The will required his executor to sell a tract of land in Westchester Co. that "by deed I took from Augustus and Frederick Van Cortland." He designated his "brother Joseph Owen" to be executor. Witnesses were John Dusenbury, William Weeks and Robert Haight.

The children of Thomas[4] and Rachel Owen were:

(1) Ruth Owen[5].

(2) Thomas Owen, Jr.[5] probably the Thomas Owen who died at Beekman, N. Y., 20 May 1814, aged 46 (gravestone). His will was dated at Beekman, Dutchess Co., N. Y., 5 May 1814 and proved Jan. 7, 1820 (Dutchess Co., N. Y., Book G, p. 330). It mentioned his wife Jane, and children as shown below. It designated his wife as executrix and his stepson, Jesse Tillett and his friend, Jacob Doughty as executors. Children were:

(1) Joseph Owen[6], b. 1793; d. 1813; buried in Green Haven Cem., Beekman, N. Y.

(2) Ann Owen[6]. She m. Isaac S. Purdy and lived at Milo, N. Y.

(3) Ruth Owen[6].

(4) Merritt Owen[6]. He m. 1st. Phebe, b. 1798; d. 1837; m. 2nd., about 1840, Sarah who survived him. His will, dated at Fishkill in Dutchess Co., N. Y., 1 July 1871 and proved Apr. 1873, mentioned his wife Sarah, son Ransom[7] and daughters Mary Elizabeth Van AmBurgh[7], Phebe Ann Schofield[7] and Carrie B. Owen[7]. He designated his son Ransom[7] and his son-in-law, George B. Schofield and Henry B. Hustis to be executors. (Dutchess Co., N. Y. Book 2, p. 100.) He is said also to have had a son named Henry Owen.

(5) There probably were other children, the will of Thomas Owen providing that the estate shall be enjoyed by his wife for "bringing up the younger children until the year 1826 when it is to be sold and divided among all my children in such manner that my sons shall have twice as much as my daughters."

FAMILY IV

JOSEPH OWEN, JR.[4], (Joseph[3], Jonathan[2], Gorg[1]) b. Sept. 5, 1735; d. May 11, 1813, age 77 years, 8 months and 6 days; m., Apr. 5, 1761 Millicent Horton, b. May 17, 1742; d. May 26, 1816, age 74. (Family and cemetery records agree.) Both lie buried in the Owen - Raymond Family Cemetery on McLean Street off Route 172 between Bedford and Mt. Kisco, New York. Millicent Horton was a daughter of Daniel[4] and Hester (Lane) Horton. This statement of Millicent's parents conflicts with the note appended to the gravestone records taken down by Francis Ferdinand Spies in 1933 (N. Y. Public Library) which says that she was a daughter of John Horton and his wife Rachel Hoit (Hoyt). Obviously Mr. Spies confused the names of Millicent's grandparents with those of her parents. (See "Ancestors and Descendants of Isaac Horton" by Byron Barnes Horton, 1946.)

Daniel Horton[4] who m. Hester Lane was a son of John[3] and Rachel (Hoit) Horton, a grandson of Joseph[2] and Jane (Budd) Horton and a great grandson of Barnabas[1] and Mary (Smith) Horton of Southold, Long Island.

Joseph Owen, Jr.[4] was a respected citizen of Bedford, N. Y. He was active in town and church affairs and a thrifty and successful farmer. He was an Elder in the Bedford Presbyterian Church where some of his children were baptized. His will (Liber D, p. 50 White Plains, N. Y.) was written at Bedford, N. Y., Dec. 22, 1812 and proved Sept. 28, 1813. It mentioned his wife, Millicent, to whom he gave one third of his real estate and all household furniture during her natural life. He mentioned daughters, Hannah, Mary and Esther and sons, Daniel, James and Joseph. James and Joseph were designated executors. That he had sons, Thomas and Horton Owen is proved by the baptismal records in the Bedford Presbyterian

Church. Both apparently were living when their father died and both are mentioned in the will of their brother James, dated 14 May 1821. Horton is referred to in a cherished letter written from Onandaga County, New York by his niece Esther Seely, dau. of Esther Owen and Capt. Gideon Seely, excerpts from which follow:

> "Grandfather Joseph Owen was a man of note, highly esteemed where he was known. So also was Grandmother Owen. Her maiden name was Horton. They were religious. They resided in Bedford where I was born. They raised 5 sons and 3 daughters. They all raised families of children.
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> "All the families had a Joseph Owen except Horton Owen. His sons were St. John and James (after their mother's family). James Owen died here (Onandaga Co., N. Y.) and burried in our cemetery. These relatives mentioned were most all farmers."

Children of Joseph Owen, Jr.[4] and his wife, Millicent Horton, were:

(1) Joseph Owen 3rd.[5], b. March 30, 1763; d. May 6, 1818, age 55 years, 1 month and 7 days; m. July 22, 1784 Ruth Woolsey, dau. of John Woolsey, III and Elizabeth (Haviland), b. June 26, 1762; d. Jan. 21, 1835, age 72 years, 6 months and 26 days. John Woolsey, III, was b. in 1727; d. 1805. His wife, Elizabeth Haviland, died in 1822, age 94. Joseph Owen served in the Rev. War as a private in the 2nd. Regiment (Westchester Co.) of N. Y. State Militia, commanded by Col. Thomas, from Nov. 20, 1780 to Jan. 1781 and was for a time confined in the Sugar House in N. Y. C. as a prisoner of the British. His home was at Somers, N. Y. He left no will but letters testamentary (White Plains Surrogate Rec.) dated 30 May 1818 disclose that his wife, Ruth Owen, renounced Letters of Administration of his estate and requested that they be transferred to her "son John Owen." His estate was inventoried at $8,204.82 some $6,300.00 of which was money loaned at interest. He resided at Somers, N. Y. where he was cosupervisor of the town almost continuously from 1807 to the date of his death. He was a prominent churchman and one of the organizers of the Somers, N.Y. Presbyterian Church. Both he and his wife lie buried in the Owen - Raymond Cemetery near Bedford, N. Y. already referred to.

The children of Joseph Owen 3rd.[4] and his wife, Ruth Woolsey were:

(1) John Owen[6], b. 24 Oct. 1784; d. 16 Nov. 1843; m. 7 Jan. 1815, Anna Bailey, b. 21 Feb. 1792; d. 3 Dec. 1873. She was a dau. of James and Anna (Brown) Bailey and a granddaughter of Levi and Jane (Gilchrist) Bailey. John Owens and his family lived in Somers, N. Y. where he operated a mercantile business and was an active Presbyterian churchman. Both he and his wife lie buried there. Their children were: (1) Anna Bailey Owen, b. 30 Oct. 1815; d. 22 Mar. 1893; m., 14 Feb. 1830, David Carpenter, b. 1814; d.

20 Feb. 1902. Both are buried at Kensico, N. Y. Their five children were John, Reese, b. 22 Dec. 1747; d., 9 Jan. 1914; m., at Armonk, N. Y. 1870, Caroline L. Townsend; Ellen, Joseph and Sarah B.; (2) Elizabeth Owen, b. 11 Jan. 1818; d. 29 May 1904; m. 31 Dec. 1845, Edmund Cole, b. 21 Feb. 1822; d. 14 July 1853. She lies buried at Oswego, N. Y., he at Carmel, N. Y. They had only one child, a daughter named Isabella Cole who married Mr. Edgar D. Johnson. (3) Joseph Owen, b. June 1820; d. 26 Apr. 1821; (4) John Owen, Jr., b. 2 Dec. 1822; d. 28 Mar. 1871; m. Aug. 1849, Malinda Schenck. He lies buried at Mattewan, N. Y. They had children Annie and Henry; (5) James Owen, b. 19 Sept. 1825; d. 25 Feb. 1887 and buried in Somers, N. Y.; (6) Joseph Owen, again, b. 24 Nov. 1828; d. 18 Aug. 1899; m. 1st., Emma Marshall and had children John, Elizabeth, Emma, William, Mary Grace and Percy. He m. 2nd., Elizabeth Nelson. No issue; (7) Mary Bailey Owen, b. 27 May 1831; m. Oct. 1854, David C. Fetter who d. 2 Oct. 1884 and is buried at Somers, N. Y.

(2) Joseph Owen IV[6]. No further record. If there was such a son, as the family record says, he probably died, unmarried, before his father.

(2) Hester Owen[5], written Esther in her father's will and in later records. She was born 26 June 1765 at Bedford, N. Y. and died at South Onandaga, N. Y., 27 Sept. 1839 in her 75th year. She married in 1794, as his second wife, Gideon Seely, Jr.[7] who was born at South Salem, Westchester Co., N. Y., 15 Aug. 1764 and died at South Onandaga, N. Y., 15 Feb. 1844. Gideon Seely, Jr.'s[7] first wife was Mabel Todd whom he married 1 Feb. 1784. She was born 15 Mar. 1769 and died 22 June 1793. Gideon Seely, Jr.[7] was a son of Capt. Gideon[6] and Deborah Lockwood Seely of Stamford, Conn. and Salem, New York. (John[5] and Abagail (Bishop) Seely; Obadiah[4] and Susanna (Finch) Seely; Obadiah[3] and Esther Seely; Obadiah[2] and Mary Seely, Robert[1] and Mary Seely from England with Winthrop's fleet in 1630 to Salem, Mass., removing thence to Watertown, Mass. then to Wethersfield, Conn. in 1634, to New Haven in 1638 and to Stamford, Conn. about 1648. He later was chief military officer at Huntington, L. I. and one of the original settlers at Elizabeth, New Jersey. He died in New York City 29 Oct. 1667.)

Gideon Seely, Jr.[7], when 16 years of age enlisted, Oct. 1780, in the 4th N. Y. Regiment. He was on picket duty near Tarrytown, N. Y. when the spy, Major Andre, was captured and was present when Andre was brought into camp. He removed to Onandaga Co., N. Y. in 1796 and assisted in surveying the Onandaga Reservation, obtaining for himself a farm of 575 acres. By his first wife, Gideon Seely, Jr. had (1) Ruth Seely, b. 8 July 1785; m. Abel Hutchins; (2) Henry Seely, b. 8 Apr. 1787; m. Rhoda Eccles; (3) Nancy Seely, b. 2 Mar. 1789; m. John Gridley;

(4) Betsey Seely, b. 23 Nov. 1790; m. 1st. Robert Elliott; m. 2nd., Russel B. Johnson.

The children of Gideon Seely, Jr.[7] and his 2nd. wife, Hester (Esther) Owen were:

(1) Mary Seely, b. 18 May 1795; d. 31 Jan. 1797.

(2) Joseph Owen Seely, b. 8 Nov. 1796; d. 20 Dec. 1879; m. 1st., 23 Mar. 1820 Susannah Stearns who d. 21 Apr. 1859; m. 2nd., Louise Rowland. One child by his first wife was Mary Seely, b. 13 May 1821; d., at New Haven, Conn., 19 Mar. 1887; m., 13 July 1851, in Foochow, China, as his 2nd. wife, Dr. Moses Clark White, the eminent teacher in Yale University, physician and scholar.

(3) Hester (Esther) Seely, the author of the letter referred to earlier herein.

(3) Hannah Owen[5], b. 1766/67; bap. 30 May 1787 at age 20 in the Presbyterian Church at Bedford, N. Y. also mentioned in her father's will. She m. 10 Dec. 1788, William Bedel who died at Beekman, N. Y. before 12 May 1806. On the latter date Hannah Bedel administratrix and Joseph Owen, Jr. administrator, filed papers in connection with the intestate estate of William Bedel late of the town of Beekman. No children were mentioned. (Vol. 19, p. 442, Dutchess Co., N. Y. Records.)

(4) Daniel Owen[5], b. about 1770; m. 23 Apr. 1792, Polly Haviland, Rev. Silas Constant of Yorktown, N. Y. officiating. She was a dau. of Gilbert Haviland[4], b. about 1726 and his wife, Elizabeth Downing. (Adam[3] and Mary Haviland; Benjamin[2] and Abagail (Mott) Haviland; William[1] and Hannah (Hicks) Haviland.) No further record of the Daniel and Polly (Haviland) Owen family found.

(5) Thomas Owen[5], b. 1778/79, bap. 29 June 1786 in the Presbyterian Church at Bedford, N. Y. at age of 7 years. He married, probably about 1808, Harriett Ferris, b. 1780/1781; d. 20 Aug. 1817, aged 36 years. (Gravestone in Middle Patent Cem. about two miles north of Banksville West. Co., N. Y.). She was a dau. of Thomas and Mary Ann Ferris of Northcastle, Westchester Co., N. Y. and was mentioned in will of Thomas Ferris dated 24 Nov. 1829. (Liber N, p. 11 White Plains.) This will refers to his daughter, Harriett, as deceased and appoints her brother, Samuel B. Ferris as guardian of her children of the same as named below. This appointment would indicate that her husband also was dead and that her children were under 21. Thomas Ferris[5] was b. 27 Aug. 1757 and d. 13 June 1831, aged 73 years, 9 mo. and 16 days. Mary Ann Ferris, his wife, d. 20 June 1851, aged 90 years, 11 mo. and 4 days. (Middle Patent Cem.) Thomas Ferris was a son of James Ferris, Jr. who married

Charity, dau. of John Thomas, 19 Sept. 1753, (N. Y. Marriages, p. 34). James Ferris, Jr.[4] was a son of James[3] and Anna (Sands) Ferris (John[2] and Mary (Jackson) Ferris; Jeffry[1] and Susannah Ferris from England to Boston in 1634 and to Stamford, Conn. in 1641).

The children of Thomas Owen and his wife Harriett Ferris were:

(1) Ferris Owen[6].

(2) Millicent Owen[6].

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(3) Margaret Owen[6].

(6) James Owen[5], b. 14 Feb. 1781; bap. 15 Feb. 1787 in the Presbyterian Church at Bedford, N. Y. at age of 6 years; d. 21 July 1821, aged 40 years, 5 mo. and 7 days. (Gravestone in Owen - Raymond Cem. before mentioned.) He m. 1st. 29 May 1806 Philena Horton, b. 7 June 1782; d. 2 May 1812, aged 29 years, 10 mo. and 25 days (gravestone). She was a dau. of Joseph and Mary Horton of Somers, N. Y. He m. 2nd., in 1813, Lucretia Merritt, b. 8 Oct. 1785; d. 4 Oct. 1865. She was a dau. of Nathan, Jr. and Susannah (Wilson) Merritt; (Nathan and Dinah (Tucker) Merritt; John and Mary (Brundage) Merritt; Thomas and Martha (Marshall) Merritt; Thomas and Jane (Sherwood) Merritt from England to Wethersfield, Conn. in 1662 and thence to Rye, N. Y. in 1673). She was called daughter Lucretia, wife of Whiting Raymond in her father's will indicating that he was her 2nd. husband whom she m. about 1823/24. He was b. 12 June 1799 and d. 15 Aug. 1870. (Gravestone) The will of James Owen was dated at Bedford, N. Y., 15 May 1821 and proved 23 Aug. 1821 (Liber J, p. 194 White Plains). It mentioned his wife Lucretia and "daughter Philena by my first wife, Philena Horton." It also mentioned this daughter's grandparents, Joseph Horton, deceased, and Mary Horton still living. The will ordered to be sold, "one other piece of land on which is a house in possession of Thomas Owen and which contains about seven acres for the purpose of paying a balance due on a bond payable to Thaddeus Sarles signed by Thomas Owen and Joseph Owen deceased dated the first day of May 1806 for $1,000.00, the over plus, if any, to be paid to Thomas Owen, his heirs or assigns." The residue of his estate was to go to his daughter, Philena and sons, Joseph and Nathan Merritt Owen each in equal shares, deducting from the share of said daughter Philena the amount of a legacy from the estate of her grandfather, Joseph Horton, deceased which is now in "my hands as her guardian." Executors of the will were his wife Lucretia, John Owen, Holly Benedict and Elisha B. Merritt. Witnesses were Andrew Heister, William Sarles, Horton Owen and Whitney Raymond.

Children of James Owen[5] and his first wife, Philena Horton, were:

(1) Sarah Owen[6], b. 25 July 1807; d. 17 Jan. 1811, aged 3 years, 5 mo. and 22 days.

(2) Philena Owen[6], mentioned in her father's will, dated 15 May 1821 as "not yet of lawful age."

Children of James Owen[5] and his 2nd. wife, Lucretia Merritt:

(3) Joseph Owen[6], b. at Bedford, N. Y., June 14, 1814; d. at Edinburgh, Scotland, Dec. 4, 1870; m., 1st., Nov. 7, 1844, at Allahabad, India, Margaret Proctor who d. Dec. 14, 1864. She was a dau. of Major General Proctor of the British Army. He m. 2nd., at Allahabad, India, Miss Mary Jane Bell. Children, one son by first marriage named Henry J. Owen who graduated from Princeton University in 1866. Joseph Owen[6] graduated, A. M., from ~~the~~ Princeton University in 1838 and was awarded a D. D. degree in 1864. He tutored in mathematics at Princeton, 1836-39 and was ordained as a Presbyterian Minister (Westchester Co., N. Y.) 2 Oct. 1839. He was a missionary to Allahabad, India, 1840-1868, president of Allahabad Missionary College in India, and a professor in the Allahabad Seminary. He prepared a complete revision of the Hindu Bible. (Princeton University Record)

(4) Nathan Merritt Owen[6], b. Mar. 8, 1818; d. Oct. 3, 1847; m. July 20, 1847, Mary Darling. Probably no issue. He was mentioned in his father's will.

(5) Susannah Owen[6], mentioned in father's will.

(6) James Owen[6], b. Jan. 1820; d., Apr. 23, 1821, aged 13 months.

(7) Mary Owen[5], b. Jan. 19, 1784, was baptized in the Presbyterian Church at Bedford, N. Y., Jan. 17, 1787 at the age of 3 years as a dau. of Joseph and Millicent Owen. She was mentioned in her father's will but only as daughter Mary. She married Jared Knapp[6], b. 15 Mar. 1779; d. 8 Apr. 1839. He was a son and 12th child of Joshua[5] and Eunice (Peck) Knapp, (Jonathan[4], Joshua[3], Joshua[2], Nicholas[1]).

(8) Horton Owen[5], b. Oct. 29, 1786; d. Mar. 8, 1839, age 52 years, 4 months and 7 days; baptized in the Presbyterian Church at Bedford, N. Y. as the son of Joseph and Millicent Owen with his birth date, as above stated, the only one recorded. Horton Owen married Sept. 30, 1807 Anna St. John, b. Feb. 1, 1786; d. Aug. 12, 1827, age 41. She was a dau. of Moses and Anna (Clark) St. John. Horton Owen was not mentioned in the will of his father despite the fact that he was still living. He, probably, was living in Ohio at the time. He and his wife lie buried in the Owen and Raymond Family Yard at Bedford, N. Y. Their children, except St. John and James, lie buried, according to their grave marker inscriptions in this same cemetery.

Children of Horton Owen[5] and his wife Anna St. John:

(1) St. John Owen[6], b., at Onandaga, N. Y., 18 July 1808; d. 16 Feb. 1895; m. 1st., 12 Nov. 1835, Mary A. Smith, b. 12 Oct. 1813; d. 12 June 1864. He m. 2nd., 27 Mar. 1867 Mrs. Mina A. Fisher, b. 1 Aug. 1811; d. 27 Apr. 1891. All three lie buried in the Union Cemetery at Bedford, N. Y. Mr. St. John Owen was inducted, 5 Nov. 1865, as a rulling Elder in the Bedford Presbyterian Church. Children by first marriage were (1) Joseph Horton Owen, b. 29 Apr. 1839; d. 25 Mar. 1840; (2) Marie Antionette Owen, b. 15 Apr. 1845; d. 12 Jan. 1846; (3) Joseph St. John Owen, b. 23 July 1848; d. 6 Sept. 1865. Children by 2nd. marriage according to the St. John Genealogy were (4) Anna L. Owen m. Asahel Sutton; (5) Mary E. Owen, m. George H. Sutton of Colorado Springs, Colo.

(2) Joseph Helm Owen[6], b. in Ohio, 13 June 1810; d. July 1810.

(3) Mary E. Owen[6], b. in Ohio, 17 June 1811; d., at Bedford, N. Y., 11 Aug. 1830, aged 19 years, 1 mo. and 24 days. She lies buried in the Owen - Raymond Cemetery near Bedford, N. Y.

(4) Lansing Grant Owen[6], b. in Bedford, N. Y., 12 Mar. 1814; d. 26 Nov. 1840, aged 26 years, 6 mo. and 14 days. He lies buried in the Owen - Raymond Cemetery near Bedford, N. Y.

(5) Lucretia B. Owen[6], b. 2 Oct. 1816; d. in N. Y. City, 25 Oct. 1865, aged 49 years and 26 days. She lies buried in the Owen - Raymond Cemetery near Bedford, N. Y.

(6) Phebe Ann Owen[6], b. 10 Mar. 1819; d. 10 Feb. 1834, aged 14 years, 11 mo. and 7 days. She ~~has been~~ was buried in the Owen - Raymond Cemetery near Bedford, N. Y.

(7) James B. Owen[6], b. 27 Feb. 1821; d. 15 May 1846. According to family records he lived in Onandaga Co., N. Y. and was buried there.

(8) Joseph Helm Owen[6], again, b. 15 Oct. 1825; d. 10 Apr. 1826, aged 6 months and 5 days. His grave is in the Owen - Raymond Cemetery near Bedford, N. Y.

JONATHAN and JOANNA (WOOD) OWEN
of Orange Co., N. Y.

JONATHAN OWEN[1], b. 7 Oct. 1761; d. 13 Feb. 1827, aged 65 years, 4 months and 6 days. He married 3 Sept. 1791 at Goshen, N. Y. Joanna Wood, b. 1 Jan. 1771; d. 16 April 1828, aged 57 years, 3 months and 14 days. Both lie buried in the Webb Cemetery near Goshen, New York. The name of the parents of Jonathan Owen has not been found. He could have been one of the unnamed sons mentioned in the will of George Owen Jr. of Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y. that was dated 15 Aug. 1770 and proved 28 Aug. 1770. (N. Y. Abstract of Wills, Vol. 7, p. 355.)

The children of Jonathan[1] and Joanna (Wood) Owen probably were:

(1) Christian Owen[2], b. 12 Dec. 1791; d., unmarried, 9 Jan. 1825.

(2) Richard Wood Owen[2], b. 1802; d. 13 May 1834, aged 31 years, 5 months and 29 Days. Probably never married.

(3) Schuyler P. Owen[2], b. 11 Apr. 1809; d. 20 Jan. 1866; m. 1st. Elizabeth Bull, who d. 17 May 1856; m. 2nd. Rosetta.

Children:

(1) Frances Owen[3], m. 5 Dec. 1866, H. Albert Horton of Goshen, N. Y.

(2) Charlotte Ann Owen.

(3) Valeria Ann Owen.

JONATHAN and JAIN (probably Lockwood) OWEN
Phillipse Precinct of Dutchess Co., N.Y.

Jonathan Owen[4], son probably of Jonathan Jr.[3], (Jonathan[2], Gorg[1] of Brookhaven, L. I.) He died between 12 Jan. 1785 when his will was written at Phillipse Precinct of Dutchess Co., N. Y. and 23 Feb. 1785 when it was proved. His wife, Jain, said to have been Jane Lockwood, and Jesse Owen, no doubt his brother, were designated executors. His will mentioned a wife, Jain, and all children named below. This Jonathan Owen called himself "Jonathan Owen, Jr. of the south precinct of Dutchess County" in a deed dated 28 Dec. 1774 which conveyed 60 acres of land to Throbel Brush of Northcastle in Westchester County. (Vol. I, p. 140 White Plains, N. Y. Land Rec.) The will of William Southerland of Northcastle, Westchester Co., N. Y. dated 22Aug. 1760 was witnessed by Jonathan Owen and land adjoining land of Jonathan Owen was mentioned in the will of John Warden dated 11 Sept. 1769 (Abstract of N. Y. Wills, Vol. VI, p. 86 and Vol. VII, p. 283.) He served as Lieut. in Col. Ludington's Co. of N. Y. Militia. (Pension Claim S-14070 of his son, Jonathan, Jr.) There was a Jonathan Owin (sic) who married, at Southold, L. I., 15 May 1753, Mary Dains. (Southold Vital Records as copied by William Salmon.) Vol. 64 of the N. Y. Gen. and Biog. Rec., p. 220 records the following:

> "1753 March 15, Jon Owen (sic) to Mary Dains. Jon Owen an Irishman mentioned in the day book of John Conklin as an expert with the cradle and sythe. He was also employed by Judge Samuel Lendon. He lived at Hashamomock and sometimes tended ferry for John Conklin. Mary Dains was employed by the town as a nurse for town charges."

It is not likely, in this writer's opinion, that this Jonathan Owen was a part of the early Owen family of Brookhaven. From the record just quoted it appears that he was born in Ireland.

The children of Jonathan and Jain Owen were:

(1) Jonathan Owen[5], eldest son, b. 15 May 1759 in Westchester County, N. Y. or the Phillipse precinct of Dutchess County, N. Y. He d. 15 Nov. 1848 leaving children, (1) Jane Crookstone; (2) Phebe Christian; (3) Ruth Owen; (4) Eliza Totten and (5) Philemon Smith Owen and prob. Edmund Owen. He served as a private in the company of Capt. John Campbell, Jr., Col. Hugh L. Hughes Reg. in 1780; also in Capt. Davis' Co., Col. Jackson's Mass. Reg. in 1781 and later in the company of his father, Lieut. Jonathan Owen, Col. Ludington's Ulster Reg. of N. Y. Militia. (Pension Claim S-14070. Descendants of John Owen of Windsor on authority of a letter from the National Archives dated 5 Feb. 1941.) His wife, prob., was b. Polly Smith.

A Jonathan Owen operated two ships between Hyde Park and New York City, one sailed by Capt. David Braman and the other by Capt. David Wicks. After 1807 James Wilson succeeded Jonathan Owen in the business. (P. 355, Hist. of Dutchess Co., N. Y. by Frank Hasbrouck.)

(2) Levi Owen[5]. He m. Sarah, probably Sarah Sherwood, and died between 27 Dec. 1809 when his will was written and 4 Apr. 1810 when it was proved. The will mentioned his wife without naming her, also a son Jesse, "when he doth come of age", dau. Pheobe "and her five children" and "other sons and daughters", all minors. Sarah Owen, presumably the widow was designated executor. (Vol. C, p. 444 Dutchess Co. Records.) All of their children are mentioned in a guardian bond wherein Jonathan Owen, probably the children's uncle, and Moses Gee were appointed guardian of the minor children as shown below. A deed, dated 20 Feb. 1817, shows Jesse Owen and his wife, Susan, of New Windsor, County of Orange, N. Y. selling to Silas Chapman, "subject to right of dower of Sarah Finch, widow and relict of Levi Owen, late of Phillipstown, it being part of the farm whereof Levi Owen died siezed which fell to and was set off to the said Jesse Owen in the division thereof." The grantor in this deed was Jesse Owen, son of Levi deceased. The deed also indicates that Sarah, wife of Levi had remarried a man named Finch. (Deed Book B, p. 153 Putnam Co.)

The children of Levi[5] and Sarah Owen were:

(1) Jesse Owen[6], m. Susan.

(2) Jane Owen[6].

(3) Levi Owen Jr.[6], m. Nancy Ann and died between 11 Sept. 1846 when his will was written at Putnam Valley, Putnam Co., N. Y. and 6 Nov. 1848 when it was proved. The will mentions his wife Nancy Ann and "our dear children," ~~now~~ none named. (Book E, p. 115, Putnam Co., N. Y.)

(4) Marie Owen[6].

(5) Nancy Owen[6].

(6) Rachel Owen[6].

(7) Dolly Owen[6].

(8) Jasper Owen[6], b. 2 Feb. 1809; d. 4 July 1863, aged 53 years, 4 mo. and 9 days; m. Susan, (prob. Susan Griffin), b. 19 June 1809; d. 30 Aug. 1860, aged 51 years, 2 mo. and 11 days. (Vol. 55, p. 189, N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Reg.) The will of Jasper Owen was dated at Phillipstown, Putnam Co. 9 June 1863 and proved 14 Dec. 1863. It mentioned following children, the birth and death dates of whom will be found in Vol. 55, p. 189 of the N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Register. His children were, (1) Griffin, b. 11 Dec. 1831; d., 3 Sept. 1855. He had a dau. named Cornelia Ann Owen; (2) Levi Owen, one of his father's executors; (3) William Owen, b. 21 July 1835; d. 6 Aug. 1865, a Civil War veteran; (4) Charles R. Owen, one of his father's executors; (5) Sarah Owen; (6) Samuel John Owen, b. 1841; d. 21 Oct. 1877; m. Isabella E. Rusk, dau. of John Rusk and had several children. (Hist. of Putnam Co., N. Y. by Pellatreau, p. 234.) He was a Civil War veteran and an attorney at law at Cold Spring, N. Y.; (7) Phinehas R. Owen, a Civil War veteran, b. 10 Aug. 1842; d. 14 Mar. 1864; (8) Allen G. Owen; (9) Francis O. Owen, b. 7 Mar. 1846; d. 15 Mar. 1865; (10) Maria Owen; (11) Emeline Owen; (12) Rachel Owen; (13) Phebe Jane Owen. A 14th child, probably their first, may have been Jasper T. Owen, b. 1830; d. 1873 who lies buried in the Laurel Hill Cem., Port Jervis, Orange Co., N. Y. His wife, Sarah C. (Decker), b. 1841; d. 1873 is buried there also. Buried there also are Jesse Owen 1864-1899; Thomas Owen, 1866-1918 and Elizabeth Gaillard Owen, 1868-

(3) Abbey Owen[5], a minor when her father's will was written 23 Feb. 1785. She m. George Travis.

(4) Samuel Owen[5], a minor, 23 Feb. 1785 when his father's will was written. He was head of a family in 1800.

(5) Mary Owen[5], a minor, 23 Feb. 1785 when her father's will was written.

(6) Israel Owen[5], a minor, 23 Feb. 1785, when his father's will was written. He was living in Phillipstown, Putnam Co., N. Y. as late as 27 June 1808 when his name appears on deeds apparently written to dispose of the property of his parents, Jonathan and Jane Owens. He apparently was not married at the time.

(7) Benjamin Owen[5], a minor, 23 Feb. 1785 when his father's will was written. His wife apparently was Barbara.

(8) Solomon Owen[5], a minor 23 Feb. 1785, when his father's will was written. His wife, 27 June 1808, was given in the land records as Betsey. A Will of Solomon Owen of Phillipstown, Putnam Co., N. Y. is recorded in Putnam Co., Book 1, p. 86. It was dated 25 June 1872 and proved 9 Feb. 1877. Enoch and Cornelia (Cornelius) Shaw and David Smith were witnesses. The will mentioned his wife, Ann Maria Owen, and sons, George Owen and Eugene Owen. Daughters mentioned were Nancy E. Hubbell; Sarah E. Applebee; Mariah L. Odell; Ellen Fisher; Henrietta McCarr; Ida E. Williams. It also mentioned grandchildren, Charles and Emmerson Dickerman, children of a deceased daughter. The son, Eugene Owen, was designated executor of the will.

JONATHAN and BETHIA (TERRY) OWEN
of Orange County, New York

JONATHAN OWEN, son, probably, of John Owen of Southold, Long Island, married 23 Oct. 1723, at Southold, Bethia Terry, daughter probably of Gershom Terry of Southold. Jonathan and Bethia Owen probably removed to Orange Co., New York where Jonathan probably was the Jonathan Owen who is listed as a militiaman in 1738 in the Wallkill, Orange County, N. Y. 1st. Co. of the Precinct of Highlands, commanded by Capt. Thomas Ellison. (Report of the State Historian of N. Y. Colonial Series, 1896, Vol. I, p. 614.)

The children of Jonathan and Bethia (Terry) Owen probably were:

(1) Gershom Owen[4], b., probably at Brookhaven, L. I. say in 1724; d., in Orange Co., N. Y., after 27 May 1779 and before 25 June 1792, (Ulster Co. Land Rec., Vol. LL, p. 143), m. Hannah Knapp, dau. of William and Margaret Knapp of Goshen. She died after 1809. The land record just referred to (Vol. LL, p. 143 Ulster Co.) was a deed from Gershom Owen and his wife Hannah, both of Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y., farmers, to William Stubbs and Ichabod Johnson, of a certain messuage of land lying and being in the precinct of Wallkill described as some part of a lot of land in the angle of Minisink patent known by number 33. One witness to the deed was Jonathan Owen who appeared 25 June 1792 and swore that he saw Gershom Owen and Hannah his wife sign and seal the deed as their voluntary act and deed. At a court of common pleas in the village of Newburg on the third Tuesday of February 1803 Samuel Owen and John Dunning presented a petition stating that "Jonathan Owen late of the town of Wallkill deceased, died siezed of a certain tract of land part of lot 33 in the Minisink Angle" bounded south by Jesse Edsall, east by lands of Capt. Jonathan Owen, north by Samuel Gilson and west by Caleb Goldsmith 259 acres and devised same to his two sons, Samuel and John Owen, tenants in common and requested a partition. John Owen was said to be under 21 and John Dunning was appointed his guardian. (Orange Co. Records I, p. 160.) These transactions of land of the same general description implies strongly that this was the Jonathan Owen who was the son of Gershom and that he was the Jonathan Owen who married, 25 Apr. 1780, Mary, dau. of John Dunning; also that he was not Capt. Jonathan Owen.

The children of Gershom and Hannah Owen ("History and Genealogy" 15 January 1946, Vol. 6, No. 9, p. 68 and Goshen Presb. Church Records) were:

(1) Jonathan Owen[5], b. 1756; d., at Middletown, Orange Co., N. Y. between May 10, 1800, when his will was written, and May 27, 1800, when it was proved; m., 25 April 1780, Mary, dau. of John Dunning. Their children were, (1) Samuel; (2) John who m. 22 Mar. 1806, Mary Goldsmith and died at Goshen 7 May 1827, aged 45; (3) Fanny; (4) Lois; (5) Mariah; (6) David Warner; (7) Gabriel who m. Sarah and of issue had Joanna, Sarah and Gabriel Sayre. Jonathan Owen's will was witnessed by Terry and William Owen. The executor was his wife not named.

(2) Terry Owen[5], m. 31 Dec. 1787, Mary (Polly) Finch. (Goshen Presb. Ch. Rec.) Removed to Yates Co., N. Y. about 1809 and died there in 1821 leaving a family of 9 children one of whom was Jonathan Owen who m. Freelove Spooner.

(3) Bethia (Tabithy) Owen[5], m. 1 December 1781 Israel Green.

(4) Mary Owen[5], married, 23 November 1779, David Smith. (Goshen Presb. Ch. Rec.) and prob. also m. Isaac Denman of Wallkill and had sons, Isaac, Andrew and Christopher Denman.

(5) Margaret Owen[5], b. 1764; d. 1851; m. 3 Oct. 1779 Israel (Isaac) Witter.

(6) Sally (Sarah) Owen[5], married 6 July 1788, Allison Finch. (Goshen Presb. Ch. Rec.)

(7) Hannah Owen[5], b. 1769; d. 1836; married 1st., 25 October 1787, Samuel Gardiner. (Goshen Presb. Ch. Rec.) He was a son of John Gardner. She m. 2nd., Stephen Smith (Vol. 33, N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Reg.)

(2) Nathaniel Owen[4], b., probably at Brookhaven, L. I. say about 1727; d., at Wallkill, Ulster Co., N. Y., between 26 April 1796 when his will which named the husbands of his daughters Susannah, Bethia and Sarah, was written and 15 May 1806 when it was proved. He probably married twice if not three times. His first marriage could have taken place before 1750, his second 24 June 1757 to Elizabeth Jane, (N. Y. Marriages, p. 288), and his third 18 Jan. 1778 to Nancy Darby. (Goshen Presb. Ch. Rec.) He would have been pretty old to have married as late as 1778 but, judging by the logic of the records, he did so. A deed of Nathaniel and Nancy Owen, dated 11 May 1784 was witnessed by Nathaniel Owen, Jr. but no child of that name was mentioned in the father's will which, barring intervening death, means that Nathaniel Jr. was the son of another Nathaniel. (Ulster Co. Deeds, Vol. II, p. 341.) Nathaniel Owen lived near his brother, Gershom, on the border line between Ulster and Orange Counties in the Wallkill precinct of the Minisink patent and pretty far away to be worshiping at the Goshen church. Land in the

Minisink angle was granted to Nathaniel Owen and to Jonathan, George and Henry Smith and to Isaiah Veal and Wait Carpenter, 21 March 1770. (N. Y. State Library, Bulletin 58, Calendar of Council Minutes, p. 548.) His will gave to his son, David, the farm whereon he now lives in the town of Minisink and to son, William, was given, "the homestead farm where I now live provided he shall take care of and maintain his mother, my present wife, during her life time and to pay to my two said daughters, Juliana and Temperance Owen, 100 pounds on the day of their marriage." Thoses provisions imply that children William, Juliana and Temperance were children of "my present wife" who still was living but not named in the will. The age of William's wife, Elsa, who was probably the Elsa who d. 13 Sept. 1810, aged 27 and the marriage date of William's sister, Juliana, add weight to this conjecture.

The children of Nathaniel Owen, according to his will, and in the order thereon given were:

(1) Susannah Owen[5], m. John Van Lyle.

(2) Jonathan Owen[5]. A Jonathan Owen d., at Wallkill 10 May 1809, aged 44 and lies buried in the church burial grounds at Middletown, Wallkill, Orange Co.

(3) Bethia Owen[5], m. William Summerlin.

(4) Sarah Owen[5], m. William Bodle who was b. 3 Mar. 1746; d. 23 Jan. 1838 in Tompkins Co., N. Y. where to he had removed from Orange Co., N. Y. in 1826. William Bodle was a son of Daniel Bodle, 1692-1786, who had emigrated from Armagh in Northern Ireland to Orange Co., N. Y. in 1742 and married there Elizabeth, widow of James Graham and dau. of William Thompson. She was a cousin of the mother of George Clinton, first Gov. of New York State. Children, (1) Jonathan; (2) William; (3) James; (4) Mary who m. Nathaniel Tuthill; (5) Susannah who m. William Gourley; (6) John; (7) Sarah; (8) Charles, b. 1 July 1788 who m. Esther, dau. of Samuel Wood.

(5) Joshua Owen[5]. He served in the 2nd. Ulster Co. Militia under Col. James McCloughry and Lieut. Jonathan Owen. A Joshua Owen is shown in the 1790 census as living in Minisink town, Orange Co., N. Y. with a family of one male adult and three females.

(6) David Owen[5]. He prob. married, 12 Mar. 1782, Martha Armstrong. (Goshen Presb. Ch. Rec.) He served in the 2nd. Ulster Co., N. Y. Militia under Col. James McCloughry and Lieut. Jonathan Owen. He was willed a 200 acre farm in Minisink by his father. A David Owen 2nd. is shown in the 1790 census as living in Minisink Town, Orange Co., N. Y. with a family of one adult, two males under 16 and three females.

(7) William Owen[5]. He m. Elsie McCord. An Elsa Owen d. 13 Sept. 1810, age 27. (Goshen Presb. Ch. Rec.). She was a dau. of Andrew McCord of Wallkill who mentioned her in his will, 1803. William Owen was granted land by his father Nathaniel Owen in 1801 and William Owen and his wife, Elsey of Wallkill, Orange Co., N. Y., 25 Feb. 1802, grantors, entered into a land deal with William Ellison of New Windsor; Nathaniel Owen, merchant; William McBride and his wife Juliana; Temperance Owen; John Remsen; Abraham Brinkerhoff and John Outhouse. (Orange Co. Deeds Book H, p. 217.) All records suggest that William Owen was a young man. He was not listed in the 1790 or 1800 census, the only William so listed from Orange or Ulster Co., N. Y. being from Cornwall town and a descendant of the Connecticut Owen family which so far as is known was not related to the earlier Owen family of Orange and Ulster Counties. (See "Descendants of John Owen of Windsor, Conn." by R. D. Owen, 1941.) No record of children of William and Elsie Owen found. He may have removed to Pennsylvania after his wife's death.

(8) Juliana Owen[5], m., Mar. 13, 1803, Samuel Carpenter (Goshen Presb. Ch. Rec.)

(9) Temperance Owen[5].

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(3) John Owen[4]. A John Owens (sic) and his farm of 17½ acres is mentioned in a deed of Thomas Gustin and James Sawyer both of the precinct of Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y., dated 31 Jan. 1767 and recorded 11 Oct. 1774. Meadow land of Gershom Owens (sic) is also mentioned. (Vol. C, pp. 456 and 457 Orange Co., N. Y. Deeds.) Very probably John and Gershom Owen were brothers. A John Owens (sic) m. 15 Jan. 1761 Elizabeth Crandall but where he was from was not stated. (N. Y. Marriages, issued by the Secretary of the Commonwealth of N. Y., p. 288.)

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(4) Joshua Owen[4], b. 1729/30; d. 21 Oct. 1819 at Troy, N. Y.; m., at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., 19 Oct. 1754, Sarah Oustrom. (N. Y. Gen. and Biog. Reg., Vol. 46, p. 10; also see Births and Marriages in Dutchess Co., N. Y. by H. S. Reynolds.)

Their children were:

(1) John Oustrom Owen.

(2) Bethia Owen.

(3) Mary Owen.

(5) There probably were other children.

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